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J. B. HUTCHINSON RESIGNS.

W. W. Atterbury May Become General Manager of P. R. R.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—The board of directors of the Pennsylvania railroad today relieved J. B. Hutchinson of the duties of general manager at his request. Mr. Hutchinson was appointed assistant to Charles E. Pugh, vice president, to take effect January 1, 1903, and was granted a leave of absence of four months. Failing health induced Mr. Hutchinson to resign his office as general manager of the company.

While the directors declined to announce Mr. Hutchinson's successor, who will be selected tomorrow, it is generally understood that W. W. Atterbury, general superintendent of motive power at Altoona, will be named. R. R. Durboro, superintendent of motive power of the Pennsylvania division, is said to be the choice of the directors to succeed Mr. Atterbury. Mr. Durborow is also stationed at Altoona.

SHAW'S VISIT STARTS RUMOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—A special from Washington to the World says: A report, emanating from treasury department sources, is current here tonight that the financial situation in New York is far from satisfactory, and that Secretary Shaw is over there investigating. It is hinted that the banks may have recourse to clearing house certificates. The strongest efforts to verify these rumors tonight were unsuccessful.

BOER GENERALS REACH NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Gen. Kritschinger and Commandants Joubert and Fouche, formerly of the Boer army, were among the passengers on the Atlantic Transport liner Manitou, which arrived today after a stormy voyage from London. Commandant Fouche expects to settle in this country. The others hope to enter the lecture field.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Jerome Sykes in "The Billionaire," 8 p. m.

NEW GRAND—New stock company in "The Two Orphans," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

BIJOU—"Tracy, the Outlaw," 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Reilly & Woods' big show, 2 and 8 p. m.

EMPIRE—"The Counterfeiters," 8:15 p. m.

ACADEMY—"The High Rollers' Company, 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—The Three Lukens and nearly 50 other people in continuous vaudeville, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.

PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Two hundred and ninety-second reception of the art society, 8 p. m.

CASTRO CALLS UPON ALL LOYAL VENEZUELANS TO TAKE UP ARMS AGAINST EUROPEAN POWERS

Foreign Marines Landing to Seize Customs House at La Guayra.

GUNBOAT BOLIVAR SEIZED BY CRUISER

Riot in Streets of Caracas Precedes Arrest of Germans and British.

TEXAS IN MORE TROUBLE

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

LA GUAYRA, Dec. 10.—The combined Anglo-German fleet is entering this harbor and the first vessels are not 300 feet from the customs house. The landing of marines has begun.

Paris, Dec. 10.—A Venezuelan government communication to its representative here protests that Great Britain and Germany, acting in concert, have committed an act of hostility in a manner as arbitrary as it is unprecedented by the seizure of Venezuelan vessels lying at La Guayra.

The communication says that indignation in Venezuela is at its highest pitch and the government is resorting to justifiable reprisals. It has arrested the resident subjects of both hostile countries and has seized the railways and other undertakings belonging to them.

At the same time, adds the communication, President Castro has appealed to the Venezuelan people to take up arms. He has decreed a general amnesty for all political offenses and has ordered the restriction of the confiscated property of Venezuelan citizens.

Gunboat Bolivar Seized.

The British cruiser Charybdis seized the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar in this harbor last night. She landed the Bolivar's officers here, while the British sloop Alert took the crew of the captured gunboat to the port of La Guayra.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Quail has sailed with the instructions to capture the Venezuelan war vessel now engaged in blockading the mouth of the Orinoco.

The entire coast of Venezuela from the Orinoco river to La Guayra will be blockaded from today by British war vessels, while the Venezuelan coast from La Guayra to the Colombian frontier will be blocked by German war vessels.

CARACAS, Dec. 10.—It is said on good authority that the captain of the British cruiser Retribution yesterday afternoon sent a special courier from La Guayra to Caracas with an ultimatum for compliance with the note deposited yesterday by the British and German ministers at the home of the foreign minister before their departure for Caracas.

The note, it is said, requests the immediate cash payment of $34,000 each to Great Britain and Germany and for the settlement of claims arising from past revolutions by a mixed tribunal, the same as the last agreement made with France.

"Death to the Germans."

WILLEMSTAD, CURACAO, Dec. 10.—There was a great patriotic demonstration in Caracas at 8 o'clock last night, when the news arrived that the British and German warships had seized the Venezuelan war vessels at La Guayra. Crowds quickly gathered and paraded the streets and squares of the capital displaying banners and singing patriotic songs. Violent speeches were delivered at various points. The populace marched to the palace of President Castro, who addressed it.

The mob then moved on to the German legation shouting "Death to the Germans!" The windows were shattered with stones and attempts were made to force the doors, but the latter resisted these efforts, and Mme. von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, wife of the German charge d'affaires, who has been ill in bed for the past two months, and therefore could not leave Caracas with her husband, was thus saved from violence.

The crowd then marched to the German consulate and to the residence of Dr. Koehler, again stoning the windows and attempting to force an entrance. The police made no effort to disperse the demonstrations.

The excitement was still intense when at 10 o'clock at night the government ordered the arrest of all the German and English residents. One hour later 205 persons prominent in social and commercial life were crowded together in the police station. All the British residents were arrested except Albert Cherry, of the Venezuela British-owned Central railway, and Mr. Wallace, manager of the telephone company, who escaped to a place of safety.

Ninety-seven German residents were arrested, among them the German consul, Valentin Blohm, and Herr Knoop, manager of the German Central railway. Herr Simmross, chancellor of the German legation, was met by the police near Bolivar square and also arrested.

Amid cries of "Death to the Germans" and "Down with the foreigners" the populace directed its way to the German residential quarter and gathered outside the Hotel Klindt and the German club, vociferating and uttering insults.

Belgian Arrested by Mistake.

The Belgian charge d'affaires, F. J. S. Goffart, was arrested by mistake for a German, because of his fair complexion, in spite of his vigorous protests he was taken to the police station, but released 10 minutes later.

On learning these incidents, United State Minister Bowen and Secretary W. W. Russell went at once to see President Castro, and after a long conference succeeded in obtaining the release of Dr. Koehler, Mme. Von Pilgrim-Baltazzi's physician and Consul Valentin Blohm. Minister Bowen also obtained the official authorization of the Venezuelan government to represent British and German interests during the imbroglio.

The government has placed an embargo on the British railroad to La Guayra and on the German Central railroad from Caracas to Valencia.

The populace is still intensely excited and the situation is regarded as critical. The British and German flags have been publicly burned.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 10.—The battleship Texas and the cruiser Topeka both got under way and left the navy yard for Culebra this afternoon. Shortly after leaving her dock it was discovered that the engine room indicator of the Texas would not work. The battleship immediately dropped anchor, and in doing so she carried away a boat stanchion. Later the Texas returned to her berth at the navy yard, and repairs were

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PRESIDENT CASTRO OF VENEZUELA.

DESERTS HIS BRIDE TO WED FIRST LOVE

Bitner's Second Marriage Ceremony Unexpectedly Stopped.

TIMELY ARRIVAL OF IRATE FATHER

Groom-Elect Departs Hastily from the Scene and Officers Are in Pursuit.

HE IS FROM ALLEGHENY

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 10.—Five hundred invited guests were disappointed tonight at the sudden termination of an elaborate wedding ceremony in northern Huntingdon county. The nuptials were to have been performed at the hamlet of Warriors Mark tomorrow at noon. This evening the prospective bride, Miss Nora Henderson, daughter of Thomas D. Henderson, a foremost citizen, lies prostrated at her home heartbroken.

The prospective groom, Frederick A. Bitner of Diamond street, Allegheny, is a fugitive from justice. It has been discovered that the groom-elect is married, and his heart-broken wife, of less than 30 days, is prostrated in a room at the Ward house, in Tyrone, after pursuit of her husband.

On last Saturday Miss Florence Mack, a telegraph operator at the Monongahela house, Pittsburgh, receivew word that the husband of Mrs. Frederick Bitner, was to be married. She at once informed her about what she had heard, and Mrs. Bitner went to F. G. Patterson, an attorney. In company with Attorney Patterson Mrs. Bitner arrived in Tyrone this afternoon.

Miss Henderson's father was at once sent for and apprised that Bitner was already married. He hurriedly drove to his home and, upon arriving there this evening was surprised to find Bitner present, in company with his best man, Harry Barr of Braddock, busily entertaining the crowded house full of guests. One room was fairly filled with valuable presents sent by friends as tokens of esteem to the couple.

Entering the house the irate father demanded an explanation of Bitner. Instead of making a reply Bitner hastily left the house with his groomsman. He secured a livery team and drove to Tyrone. Arriving at the outer edge of that town the horses were hitched to a telegraph pole and the men walked to a livery stable and procured a fresh team. They started toward this city. Officers are in hot pursuit.

On November 17 last Bitner was married by B. F. Penters, a justice of the peace at Steubenville, O., to Miss Euphenia Mack, the daughter of a well-to-do resident of New Kensington, Pa. He was devoted to her for three years past and also attentive and loyable to Miss Henderson for eight years. He was employed as a passenger brakeman on the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania railroad, running on the fast express train between Altoona and Pittsburgh. He first met Miss Henderson when she was on a shopping trip to Pittsburgh.

Before leaving home last Saturday Bitner told his wife that she could go home on a visit, as he had secured a leave of absence and intended going to the mountains on a hunting expedition. Before leaving Pittsburgh he secured a pass from the Pennsylvania railroad officials for himself and wife to New York and return. It was evidently his intention to spend a honeymoon with his wife No. 2 in the metropolis.

Mrs. Bitner has sworn out a warrant

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ALLIES SANK SHIPS OF CASTRO'S NAVY

Business Is Suspended in La Guayra and People Fear Town Will Be Bombarded.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

LA GUAYRA, VENEZUELA, Dec. 10.—Ten German and four British cutters were engaged in the capture of the Venezuelan fleet yesterday. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender, and without a shot being fired the British and German forces seized the fleet. Two of the vessels, which were undergoing repairs, were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings, with her decks cleared for action.

The Venezuelan steamers were taken outside the harbor, and at 2 o'clock this morning the General Crespo, Tutumo and Margarita were sunk. The Ossun was the only vessel spared in view of the protest made by the French charge d' affairs, H. Quievreux, who notified the commodore of the allied fleet that the Ossun is the property of a Frenchman.

The German and British residents at La Guayra have also been arrested, with the exception of Messrs. Fieldwick, Prince and Lepage, English directors of the harbor corporation, who barricaded themselves in their house.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Quail arrived here at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The German cruiser Panther left this morning in the direction of Garupano and the German cruiser Falke has sailed for Puerto Cabello, in search of the remainder of the Venezuelan fleet.

All the stores and banks here are closed and great excitement prevails, as the population fears that the town may be shelled by the Anglo-German vessels tonight.

Later the three Englishmen, Fieldwick, Prince and Lepage, were rescued and have been taken on board the Retribution.

FIRE MENACES LIVES; ITALIAN IS ARRESTED

Blaze in Sixth Avenue Grocery Followed by Locking Up the Owner.

Fire which the police believe was of incendiary origin was discovered about 2 o'clock this morning in the grocery store at No. 514 Sixth avenue, owned by Antonio Jiuliani, an Italian real estate dealer who lives at No. 508 Sixth avenue. The building is a three-story structure and is occupied by a number of Italian families.

Prof. Danny occupies the second floor and was awakened by smoke filling his room. He called to Policeman C. R. Thompson, who sent in a still alarm. Policeman Thompson then went to Jiuliana's home, and after considerable racket brought the owner of the store out. He was fully dressed and this aroused the suspicion of the police and he was sent to Central police station and locked up.

After the store was opened the firemen discovered a pile of papers burning in a corner. It was surrounded by a pile of wooden boxes and several dozen packages of matches. Jiuliani claims that the fire was started by rats nibbling matches. The fire marshal will be given the case to investigate.

VICTORY IS CLAIMED FOR TUNNEL PROJECT

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Friends of the Pennsylvania tunnel project, who believe that the city should not be deprived of the gigantic improvement which is to break down the barriers which shut in Manhattan island on the east and west without the expenditure of a cent from the city treasury, declared tonight that the victory had been won and that the franchise now pending before the board of aldermen would pass at the next meeting of the board on Tuesday, if it can be brought to a vote. There is, they say, a possibility of a stampede for the tunnel.

SAY SCHWAB WILL SOON BE BACK AT WORK

Denial That He Is to Retire, Jas. Gayley to Succeed.

STEEL OFFICIALS LOOK AT WOODSON

This Monongahela River Site May Be Used for Vast New Plants.

DINED BY JUDGE REED

First Vice President James Gayley and former Judge James H. Reed, directors of the United States Steel Corporation, last night joined in assertions that President Schwab is to resume his duties soon. Both statements were made in response to an inquiry on a report that Mr. Gayley has been determined on as Mr. Schwab's successor.

Mr. Gayley said in positive manner: "Oh, nonsense, nonsense! Mr. Schwab is recovering his health and we expect him back to resume his office soon."

Judge Reed said: "No, there is nothing to that. We all believe that Mr. Schwab is rapidly recovering his health and he will be ready to take up his official duties again in the spring. Of course, if he should prove to be unable to do so, a successor will be appointed; but we do not want to anticipate that."

These statements were made last night at the close of a "family" dinner of United States Steel Corporation officials and some of the directors, at the Hotel Schenley, with Judge Reed as host. Twenty-three men sat down at table and there was a thoroughly enjoyable post-prandial feast when the cigars had been lighted, with delightful talks and stories from Messrs. Frick, Edenborn, Ream, Rogers and other notable members of the company.

These men are here for the annual inspection of plants. No business was transacted either on the inspection trip yesterday or at the dinner last night. The inspection yesterday included only visits to two mill properties, the National tube works at McKeesport and the W. Dewees Wood sheet mills. There was no inspection of the proposed site of the $10,000,000 improvements for the tube works.

The most important movement reveals a purpose to utilize the large manufacturing site at Woodson, acquired by the American Sheet Steel Company in the taking over of the W. Dewees Wood Company and now an asset of the Steel Corporation.

A good view of this property was obtained from the train on the trip up the Monongahela river. The site includes several hundred acres and will be considered in gigantic improvements which the Steel Corporation is considering. It is the only unimproved manufacturing site left along the river, and was purchased by Richard and Alan Wood for the purpose of erecting great steel works to make the sheet mills of this interest independent in its raw material supply.

Recommendations for utilizing the tract will probably be made at the next meeting of the board of directors.

At the dinner given by Judge Reed at the Schenley last night there were present the following: Henry C. Frick, director; James Gayley, first vice president; William B. Dickson, second vice president; Veryl Preston, third vice president; Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the executive committee; William Edenborn, of the executive committee; George W. Perkins, chairman of the executive committee; Henry H. Rogers and Norman B. Ream of the finance committee; Daniel G. Kerr, manager of ore; James H. Reed and W. R. Walker, all of the United States Steel Corporation; former Judge E. J. Buffington, president of the Federal Steel Company; George G. McMurtry, president of the American Sheet Steel Company; W. T. Graham, president of the American Tin Plate Company; William P. Palmer, president of the American Steel and Wire Company; William B. Schiller, president of the National Tube Company; Alfred J. Major, president of the American Bridge Company; Thomas Lynch, president of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, and general manager of all the Steel Corporation coking operations; W. E. Corey, president, H. P. Bope, first vice president and general sales agent, and W. W. Blackburn, second vice president and secretary of the Carnegie Steel, National Steel and American Steel Hoop companies, and Daniel Coolidge of the Lorain Steel Company.

The party assembled later yesterday morning than expected, so that the careful inspection intended at Homestead was deferred for a day and a hurried trip taken over the Monongahela river division to the point opposite Monessen, where the American Tin Plate Company has one of its best, largest and most modern works. En route the site of Woodson was looked over, and opposite McKeesport the transfer was made to the other side of the river, and about an hour spent in a hasty look at the works there. Near Donora the party stopped, but made no critical observations of these works, which are to develop into one of the most formidable means of competition for the Steel Corporation.

The movement of the party is in a special train composed of the Pullmans Veritas and Vendome and the private car Tyrone. Today the trip will take in the Homestead works and probably the Edgar Thomson and Duquesne works. Tomorrow will probably be devoted to a trip to Ambridge, where the vast new $4,000,000 plants of the American Bridge Company are being erected. After that the New Castle plants are to be viewed and then those of the Youngstown district. Thence the indefinite itinerary takes in Indiana and Illinois plants, with possibly a movement up in the ore fields.

The report is persistent that Mr. Schwab will never again head one of these inspection movements, but there is no official verification. Mr. Gayley is regarded as his logical successor.

Careful Action Necessary.

FRANCHISE TAX WILL BE LEVIED

Citizens Party Councilmen Opposed to Waiting on the Court.

WISH QUICK ACTION

Reform leaders of councils have decided not to wait upon the decision of the superior court in the Scranton case, in which the power of a municipality to tax public franchises is involved, but will proceed at once to enact an ordinance levying a general tax upon all corporations that hold or shall receive franchises from the city.

Controller Larkin, in a statement on city finances, declared yesterday again in favor of a 13-mill property tax and suggested that councils should levy a tax on public utilities in order to provide revenue for extra improvements by the city.

Acting upon this suggestion, Common Councilman W. H. Stevenson, chairman of the finance committee, said:

"I am in favor of taxing all public franchises, street cars, electric lights, etc., without any more delay. Councils should take the matter up at once and fix a tax in time to get revenue for 1903 appropriations. All public franchise holders should bear their just share of the city's expenses. I am opposed to discrimination. We should treat all corporations alike. The Citizens members of councils were elected on this platform and they cannot afford to repudiate it."

Must Serve All Alike.

Councilman Thomas M. Brown was also outspoken in favor of the immediate taxation of railroad, street car and other franchises. He said that it might be a year before the courts decide the Scranton case. From the superior court the case may be taken to the supreme court. Councils could pass a general franchise ordinance now and later provide a remedy in case the final opinion was adverse to the city.

"I am in favor of taxing the old companies as well as the new," declared Mr. Brown. "I believe, as in the case of the application of the City Electric Company, which seeks a franchise in order that it may compete with the giant monopoly known as the Philadelphia Company, that if the city cannot tax the old companies it should not tax the new, or at least impose a very light tax."

The ordinance of the City Electric Company contains a provision that the company will be subject to any general ordinance levying a tax upon such corporations.

J. N. Pew, president of the City Electric Company, declares that councils have no right to tax his company unless they also tax the Allegheny Light Company or other competitors. If the ordinance of the City Electric Company is adopted with the above provision incorporated, the company will be exempt from taxation in case the superior court decides that existing companies cannot be taxed.

A meeting of the corporations committee will be held this week or next to consider this ordinance. The company wishes the ordinance reported to common council at the next meeting. A representative of the City Electric Company called upon Chairman McNeil yesterday and asked him to call a meeting of the corporations committee, but received no definite answer.

Controller Larkin yesterday said:

I regard the estimates as a joke, and as most people enjoy a joke, I can see no objection to its perpetration at a time when it can do no harm.

OCEANIC SIGHTED OFF FIRE ISLAND

Mr. Carnegie Will Land on American Soil This Morning.

BOAT ONE DAY LATE

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Herald Building, Herald Square, NEW YORK, DEC. 11.

Delayed by tempestuous weather, the Oceanic, with Andrew Carnegie on board, passed Nantucket at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was sighted off Fire Island at 1:10 a. m. She will be at her pier early this morning.

Anxious friends of the passengers on the White Star liner were disappointed when no news of her being sighted off this port was received yesterday. The Oceanic usually docks early on Wednesday, and is therefore one day late on this trip. This is said to be the first time the big liner has failed to land her passengers on Wednesday.

Mr. Carnegie, whose departure from the other side was delayed by illness, was far from being well when he sailed. His anxiety to return is said to have been partially due to his plan to present his new Fifth avenue mansion to his little daughter for a Christmas gift.

The house, with the ample grounds surrounding it, is said to have cost $2,000,000. Little Miss Carnegie is to open the door on Christmas morning and take possession of what is probably the most sumptuous of the many fine dwellings of upper Fifth avenue.

Mrs. Carnegie and the little girl are with Mr. Carnegie on the Oceanic. Among others on board is Mrs. Newhouse, a noted English woman of beauty, who is said to be coming to this country on a visit to friends.

MASCAGNI LOSES.

Boston Judge Decides Massachusetts Courts Have Jurisdiction Over His Contest With Manager.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Judge Richardson in the equity session of the superior court this forenoon sent down a decision in the case of Mittenthal Bros. vs. Pietro Mascagni, holding that the courts of this state have jurisdiction over the action, notwithstanding the clause in the contract between the parties to the effect that difference or controversy between them should be determined only in the courts of Italy.

Replying on this clause counsel for the defense asked the court to dismiss the $10,000 action brought against Mascagni for an alleged breach of contract to perform at Music hall this city. Defendant's motion was overruled.

VESUVIUS PUTTING ON HER SMOKE CAP

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—A special to the Sun from Rome says: "Dispatches from Naples says Vesuvius is assuming a threatening appearance. A number of smaller openings have appeared around the great crater."

MISS KNOX DELAYS EUROPEAN TOUR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Miss Rebekah Page Knox has been obliged to postpone for a month or two starting on her trip around the world, as she is under the care of a physician for the present.

QUAY IS READY TO FORCE TEST VOTE IN SENATE TO SHOW STRENGTH ON OMNIBUS STATEHOOD BILL

Beveridge Brings in Report of Committee Favoring Oklahoma Only.

NELSON CREATES MILD SURPRISE

Withdraws His Amendment "in Order That It May Be Perfected."

LINE-UP ON THE MEASURE

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.

The battle for statehood for the territories of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona is on in the senate, and in the preliminary skirmish this afternoon there were some developments that will have an important bearing upon events to come. Senator Quay, who leads the forces in favor of the omnibus bill, was in the trenches and did not leave the senate chamber for a moment.

For hours the clerks droned away, reading first the report offered by Senator Quay as a member of the committee on territories, then the bill itself and the amendment which was in reality a substitute, and finally the voluminous report submitted by Senator Beveridge as the majority report of the committee on territories. The entire afternoon was taken up with the reading of these documents. At 1 o'clock Senator Quay arose and said that he had been waiting for the majority report of the committee, but that he understood it was not ready.

"In the meantime," said he, "I stand as a political orphan, and therefore, I submit the following report which I ask to have read:"

Looks Up Some Records.

It was the report of the house committee on territories, with some additional facts that have a bearing upon the subject. It showed that the three territories included in the omnibus bill were indorsed for statehood at the last Republican national convention, and named several senators who were members of that convention, but are now supposed to be against the bill.

Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire was chairman of the sub-committee which formulated that plank of the platforms, and Senator Fairbanks of Indiana was chairman of the committee on resolutions which reported it to the convention. Mr. Gallinger is expected to vote for the admission of the territories, but Mr. Fairbanks is looked upon as a member of the opposition.

After Senator Quay's report had been read, Senator Nelson asked that the statehood bill be laid aside for a little while, as Senator Beveridge was not ready with his report. Mr. Quay would not consent to this, but suggested that in the meantime the bill be read. This was done. By the time it was finished the majority report was ready and its reading occupied the time until 5:30 o'clock.

During all these tedious hours the senators dozed, wrote letters and promenaded to and from the cloak rooms, while Senator Depew entertained Senator Fairbanks with some of his latest stories.

Leaders in Watch Towers.

But Mr. Quay and Mr. Beveridge stood by their guns and took no chances. Each was on the alert that the other might secure no parliamentary advantage over him.

When the clerk finished the reading of the majority report, Senator Nelson created a surprise by withdrawing the amendment "in order that it may be perfected." The amendment is the substitute bill that provides for the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state.

"I would like to ask," said Mr. Quay, "what the parliamentary status of the bill is at present?"

"The bill before the house," said the president, "is the house bill, since the amendment has been withdrawn."

"It has been withdrawn with the understanding that it can be reintroduced," remarked Mr. Beveridge.

"Then," said Mr. Quay, "I wish to give notice that if it is reintroduced, I will move to lay it on the table."

This meant war. It meant that if another substitute bill is offered the Pennsylvania senator will bring about a test vote at the earliest opportunity. It meant that the friends of the omnibus bill are sure of their strength and want it put to the test immediately.

Move Toward Compromise.

The withdrawal of the substitute bill by Senator Nelson is believed to be a move toward a compromise. It has been rumored that an effort will be made to bring about harmony by offering to admit Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state and New Mexico and Arizona as another.

Senator Quay and his friends are more confident than ever of success. They expect to have the solid Democratic delegation, with possibly one or two exceptions. The following Republicans have been classed as supporters of the omnibus bill: Quay, Penrose, Burton, Dietrich, Foraker, Elkins, Gallinger, Perkins, Bard, Foster, Mitchell, Kearns, McCumber, Hansbrough and Mason.

An amusing incident occurred today when Mr. Quay sent to the clerk's desk a number of telegrams to be read which expressed the hope that the senate would pass the omnibus bill. One of them stated that statehood for Oklahoma would make it "hopelessly Democratic."

Mr. Quay announced that he had sent that one to the desk by mistake.

Gov. Prince and ex-Delegate T. B. Catron of New Mexico are here. The latter was formerly the law partner of Senator Elkins when he was practicing in the territory. These two gentlemen are the advance guard of a score of prominent citizens of New Mexico who will arrive in Washington Friday morning to lobby for the omnibus bill. Among the party will be the chairman of both the Republican and Democratic territorial committees. Arizona and Oklahoma will also send delegations.

L. W. STRAYER.

Against Anti-Canteen Law Repeal.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—The Anti-Saloon league, in session here, today adopted resolutions declaring against the repeal of the anti-canteen law and pledging its efforts to continue the law in force.

ST. LOUIS PARTY WELL SATISFIED

World's Fair Officials See the Work Done by Westinghouse.

THEY PRAISE IT HIGHLY

Ex-Gov. Francis Expresses the General Surprise at Pittsburgh's Manufactures—Says This City Is Industrial Center of World.

Former Gov. Francis of Missouri, president of the St. Louis exposition, in a speech at a dinner at the Duquesne club last night, spoke of Pittsburgh as "the industrial center of the world." President Francis and other officials of the exposition arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday morning and spent the day inspecting $1,000,000 worth of work being done for the exposition by the Westinghouse company.

In addition to ex-Gov. Francis the party consisted of Mayor Wells of St. Louis, Isaac Taylor, director of work of the fair, Chief Electrical Engineer Rustin, D. F. Smith, president of the Simmons Hardware Company, and J. D. Dozier, president of the National Biscuit Company, both directors of the exposition. Guido Pantelleone, St. Louis representative of the Westinghouse company, was with the party.

The visitors were met at the station by Vice President Frank H. Taylor and L. A. Osborne, and Acting Vice President Walter M. McFarland of the Westinghouse Company. The party was immediately taken to East Pittsburgh.

The St. Louis visitors were enthusiastic in their comments as they inspected the work. The machinery which is finished was put in operation for their benefit. At 1 o'clock the visitors were the guests of the Westinghouse company at a luncheon at the works. The afternoon was spent in inspection and at 8 o'clock the party sat down to dinner in the Duquesne club.

Mr. Taylor presided, and the other guests at the dinner were F. H. West, John Caldwell, George Dusenberri and H. D. Schoop, Westinghouse officials, and D. W. Wright, president of the Nernst Glass Company. Gov. Francis said:

"After a careful tour of inspection, I am pleased to state that the officials of the St. Louis fair and myself, as president, are entirely satisfied with the work done for us by the Westinghouse company of Pittsburgh. We have not one fault to find with the work done thus far, and I am sure that if all the other contracts are filled as well and as fast as this, the most important contract, is being done, the fair will open on time. My short visit here has opened my eyes to Pittsburgh. It is indeed a wonderful city and the industrial center of the world. This city will certainly play a large part in the fair which I represent.

"I wish the entire legislature of Pennsylvania were here that I might congratulate this state, as well as this city, for the big part of the St. Louis exposition which it will represent. The anniversary of the Louisiana purchase will open the eyes of the world to the remarkable city of Pittsburgh and the great state of Pennsylvania. I congratulate the city, the state and the Westinghouse company in the name of the St. Louis World's Fair."

The St. Louis officials, accompanied by Mr. Pantelleone, left Union station last night for New York for an inspection of the Westinghouse work there.

MOEN RESIGNS.

Severs His Connection With American Steel and Wire Co.—Family Long Prominent in Trade.

WORCESTER, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Philip W. Moen of Worcester has resigned as vice president of the American Steel and Wire Company and will retire from the steel business. His resignation has been accepted.

Mr. Moen has for a long time desired to leave the business, but various interests impelled him to remain in the harness for the several years in which the Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Company has been merged with the larger corporation. He was made third vice president when the American Steel and Wire Company was organized and was afterwards elected second vice president.

His resignation ends the connection of the Moen family with the business in which the father, Philip Moen, was a pioneer and in which the son has attained such a prominent place.

DESERTS HIS BRIDE TO WED FIRST LOVE

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before a Tyrone magistrate against her husband for desertion.

At the Union station last night it was said that Frederick A. Bitner is a passenger brakeman on the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania, but that he was not on duty, having secured a two weeks' leave of absence to be married.

Bitner a month ago married Miss Butler of New Kensington. Miss Butler was employed in Allegheny as a seamstress and had been keeping company with Bitner for about eight years. When informed by a friend that invitations were out for the marriage of her husband to another woman Mrs. Bitner secured the services of Attorney Patterson and with him went to Tyrone to have the wedding stopped. At Union station it was stated that Bitner had secured two weeks' leave of absence and had left the city.

GUARDABASSI'S RETURN.

Former Pittsburgh Artist Appears in a Musical Event.

Francesco Marie Guardabassi, assisted by Miss Marguerite Lemon, both of New York, gave an evening musicale in the ball room of the Hotel Schenley last night. About 100 persons were at the entertainment, which was worthy of better patronage. Luigi von Kunits, a soloist of the Pittsburgh orchestra, assisted with the violin, and Joseph Gittings presided at the piano. The program contained 13 numbers and several encores were responded to.

Mr. Guardabassi is well known in Pittsburgh, having been a resident here until about four years ago, when he went abroad to study music. He was formerly an artist but gave up that vocation several years ago.

SAFE BIND. SAFE FIND.
The Safety of Your Savings is the Important Thing.

An old-established, strong bank like the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, Smithfield street, opposite postoffice, gives absolute protection and the proper place to put your hard-earned dollars. It has been in business 40 years, has assets of over $15,500,000, pays 4 per cent interest, and 35,000 persons, mostly wage earners, bank there. Call or write for the bank's new booklet No. 26, which tells, among other things, how to bank by mail.

RELIABLE KROEGER PIANOS.
Will last a lifetime. Reasonable prices. Easy terms. Sold only by W. F. FREDERICK, 633 Smithfield street. Entire building. Open evenings.

FAMOUS SCHOMACKER PIANOS.
Reasonable prices. Sold only by W. F. FREDERICK, 633 Smithfield street.

DODD KILLS MASKED ROBBER THEN FLEES IN NIGHT ATTIRE

TEXARKANA, TEX., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A bold attempt to dynamite the State bank at Dekalb at 3 o'clock this morning was frustrated. Three masked robbers, heavily armed, entered the building, when Lyman Dodd, manager of the Southwestern Telephone Company's office, in the rear of the bank, blew one of the highwaymen's head off with a winchester, pointed through a crack in his office. The other robbers fled in panic.

Dodd became panic-stricken by the volley of shots discharged by the fleeing robbers and, clad in his night robe, jumped through the window, a distance of 15 feet, to the ground and made for the woods, where he was found this morning.

Bloodhounds have been secured and a posse of a hundred men are following the escaped men in hot pursuit.

CASTRO CALLS UPON ALL LOYAL VENEZUELANS TO TAKE UP ARMS AGAINST EUROPEAN POWERS

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at once begun. Work is being rushed in an effort to get the vessels in southern waters at the earliest possible moment.

Blockade Is "Peaceful."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The state department has advised that "A peaceful blockade" exists at La Guayra. The situation is here regarded as critical.

Minister Bowen, at Caracas, has accepted the trust placed upon him, to look after the interests of the British and German citizens in Venezuela. He has informed the state department that a number of these citizens were arrested yesterday in Caracas.

Mr. Bowen at once addressed himself to President Castor to secure their release. President Castro was unwilling at first to recognize his authority. Finally the minister convinced him that he was acting within his rights and President Castra consented to release the principal prisoners. Mr. Bowen will insist upon the release of the remainder.

Mr. Bowen wishes to play the part of peacemaker between the principals in this dispute and the state department, after considering his statements, has decided that he may do this only upon application from Venezuela, and if the same shall be acceptable to the British and German representatives.

Message from Bowen.

But one cablegram has been received today by the state department from Minister Bowen at Caracas. That relates to the seizure by British and German vessels of the Venezuelan navy at La Guayra. He makes no reference whatever to any seizures of custom houses.

It was said at the British and German embassies today that the action of President Castro in ordering the arrest of all subjects of the British and German governments in Caracas was without precedent in history, and that such action would be regarded as sufficient ground for a declaration of war. Members of the diplomatic corps here indeed regard it as being such a declaration in itself.

Minister Bowen's prompt action in demanding of President Castro the release of the German and British subjects is in accordance with the plan agreed on between the German and British ambassadors and Secretary Hay, when the former called at the state department fully three weeks ago, and, in anticipation of the present ugly situation in Venezuela, requested that the United States minister at Caracas be permitted to protect the lives and property of all British and German citizens in Venezuela.

Draws in United States.

It is understood that President Castro was advised of this action. It was pointed out by a European diplomat of high rank today that in forcing Minister Bowen to demand the release of the arrested subjects President Castro is acting directly contrary to the desire of the Washington government not to become involved in the international dispute. Both Germany and Great Britain, it was said, fully appreciate the position of the United States, and are determined that this country shall not be drawn unnecessarily into the embroilment.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—In the house of commons today Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne said the government had no official information of the seizure by the Venezuelans of 200 British and German subjects or of the seizure of the Venezuelan warships by the fleets of Great Britain and Germany.

Lord Cranborne added that the British claims would be fully disclosed by papers to be laid before the house. They included a demand for compensation for interference with trading vessels, the imprisonment and ill-treatment of British subjects and the destruction of their property.

Time of Ultimatum Expires.

Lord Cranborne said the British minister at Caracas had been instructed to wait 24 hours after the presentation of the ultimatum, and, failing to get a reply, to proceed to La Guayra, where he was to wait another 24 hours on board a British ship. That period expired last night.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The naval plans of Germany and Great Britain provide for the patrolling of Venezuela by launches, in order to prevent smuggling, and for the blockade of those Venezuelan ports where the customs houses have not been taken over, in order to prevent vessels avoiding the ports occupied by the allies.

Official suggestions supplied to the German newspapers and to the English correspondents here lay stress on the fact that the United States has undertaken to safeguard, diplomatically, the German and British residents in Venezuela until the dispute is settled. Consequently any affront offered to the resident Germans and Britishers, which is not in accordance with international usage, such as an arbitrary arrest, would be an affront to the United States. This consideration makes the German foreign office doubt the reported arrests at Caracas.

France Makes Move.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Owing to the gravity of the situation in Venezuela, the foreign office has directed M. Wiener, the newly-appointed French minister to Venezuela, to start immediately for Caracas without waiting for the arrival here of the Venezuelan minister, Gen. Velutini, as at first intended.

The foreign office also has selected Count de Peretti de Rocca as the French representative in the arbitration with Venezuela, and has ordered him to proceed to Caracas immediately with M. Wiener. The arbitration covers the losses sustained by French citizens whose houses were burned and whose plantations were destroyed during the revolution.

ROME, Dec. 10.—The government has instructed the commander of the Italian third class cruiser Giovanni Bausan, which arrived at La Guayra yesterday, to protect fully Italian subjects in Venezuela; to take them aboard, or if necessary, to land bluejackets for their protection.

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE

Pittsburgh Will Have All of the Holiday Dates at Home.

SEASON OPENS IN WEST

Champions Lose Some Sunday Dates, but Have 4,000 Less Miles to Travel—First Game April 15.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The National league decided tonight on the following playing schedule for the coming season:

Games Played on Home Grounds.

Pittsburgh with Boston, June 4, 5, 6; July 11, 13, 13, 14; September 29, 30; October 1, 2. With Brooklyn, June 11, 12, 13; July 7, 8, 9, 10; October 3, 5, 6, 6. With New York, June 1, 2, 3; July 15, 16, 17, 18; October 7, 8, 9, 10. With Philadelphia, June 5, 9, 10; July 3, 4, 4, 6; September 24, 25, 26, 28. With Chicago, May 2, 4, 5, 5; June 15; September 7, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. With Cincinnati, May 7, 8, 9, 11; May 30, 30; September 4, 5, 10, 11, 12. With St. Louis, April 21, 22, 23, 25; July 22, 23, 24, 25; August 10.

Boston—With Brooklyn, June 16, 17, 17; July 29, 30, 31; August 1; September 2, 3, 4, 5. With New York, May 2, 4, 5; July 20, 21, 22, 23; August 28, 29, 31; September 1. With Philadelphia, April 20, 21, 22; July 24, 25, 27, 29; September 7, 8, 9. With Pittsburgh, May 20, 27, 28; June 18, 19, 20, 22; August 15, 17, 18, 19. With Chicago, May 16, 18, 19, 20; June 26, 27, 29; August 11, 12, 13, 14. With Cincinnati, May 21, 22, 23, 25; June 30; July 1, 2; August 24, 25, 26, 27. With St. Louis, May 12, 13, 14, 15; June 23, 24, 25; August 20, 21, 22, 22.

Brooklyn—With Boston April 28, 29, 30; May 1, 7, 8, 9; September 11, 21, 22, 23. With New York, April 21, 22; May 6; July 25, 28; August 7, 10; September 7 (a. m.), 8, 15, 19. With Philadelphia, April 23, 24, 25, 27; May 10, 30; August 3, 4, 5; September 12, 14. With Pittsburgh, May 21, 22, 23, 24, 25; June 30; July 1, 2; August 11, 12, 13, 14. With Chicago, May 12, 13, 14, 15; June 28, 24, 25; August 24, 25, 26, 27. With Cincinnati, May 16, 18, 19, 20; June 26, 27, 29; August 20, 21, 22, 22. With St. Louis, May 26, 27, 28; June 18, 19, 20, 22; August 15, 17, 18, 19.

Chicago—With Boston, June 8, 9, 10; July 15, 16, 17, 18; October 7, 8, 10, 11. With Brooklyn, June 1, 2, 3; July 11, 12, 13, 14; September 29, 26, 27, 28. With New York, June 4, 5, 6, 7; July 4, 4, 5, 6; October 3, 4, 5. With Philadelphia, June 11, 12, 13, 14; July 7, 8, 9, 10; September 29, 30; October 1. With Pittsburgh, April 26; May 3; July 30, 29, 21; August 5, 6, 8, 9; September 20, 21. With Cincinnati, April 21, 22, 25; July 30, 31; August 1, 2, 29, 30, 31. With St. Louis, May 7, 8, 9, 10, 30, 30, 31; September 6, 10, 12, 13.

New York—With Boston, April 23, 24, 25, 27; May 30 a. m., 30 p. m.; August 3, 4, 5; September 12, 14. With Brooklyn, April 15, 16, 18; May 11; July 24, 27; August 6, 8; September 7 p. m., 9, 17. With Philadelphia, May 7, 8, 9; July 29, 30, 31; August 1; September 2, 3, 4, 5. With Pittsburgh, May 16, 18, 19, 20; June 26, 27, 29; August 24, 25, 26, 27. With Chicago, May 26, 27, 28; June 18, 19, 20, 22; August 20, 21, 22, 22. With Cincinnati, May 12, 13, 14, 15; June 22, 24, 25; August 15, 17, 18, 19. With St. Louis, May 21, 22, 23, 23; June 30; July 1, 2; August 11, 12, 13, 14.

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SINGER OUT ON BAIL.

May Hammer Will Be Taken to Jail Today, but Must Have a Carriage.

Martin Singer, charged with being an accessory to the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Cuthbert in a house in Colwell street, was released from jail yesterday on bail in the sum of $15,000, before Judge Schafer. The bondsmen are Jacob W. Singer, a brother, No. 681 Preble avenue, Allegheny; Martin Goldstein, No. 1208 Main street, Braddock; Louis Adler, No. 1506 Fifth avenue, and Benjamin Lefowitz of Preble avenue, Allegheny. Adler is the father of Singer's fiancee.

May Hammer, an inmate of the Colwell street house, who was shot in the breast on the night of the murder, is able to leave the Mercy hospital, and will be held today by the coroner as a witness in the case.

Yesterday Detectives Cole and Egan went to the institution to bring the girl before Superintendent McAleese. She refused to leave the hospital unless a carriage were provided. A conveyance was not at hand and the officers decided to leave her there until this morning.

The inquest into the death of Mrs. Cuthbert has been fixed for tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

BISHOP HURST RESIGNS.

Ill-Health Compells Him to Give Up Chancellorship of American University.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The trustees of the American university held their semi-annual meeting here today. The reports of the officers indicate a prosperous half year.

Bishop John F. Hurst, who was unable to be present on account of illness, resigned as chancellor, because of ill-health. He was elected chancellor emeritus. Bishop Charles C. McCabe, who has been vice chancellor was elected chancellor, and Bishop A. W. Wilson of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, vice chancellor.

Bishop John W. Hamilton of San Francisco; Mrs. J. F. Robinson of Rock Island and George C. Sturgiss of Morgantown, W. Va., were elected members of the board of trustees.

The following officers were elected: John E. Andrus, president; D. H. Carroll, vice president; Charles W. Baldwin, secretary; Charles C. Glover, treasurer.

Plans were matured for continuing work on the McKinley Memorial Ohio college of Government next spring. A gift of $10,000, completing a subscription of $25,000, was received for this building.

M'KEESPORT WANTS LIGHT.

Attorneys Will Ask for an Injunction Against Monongahela Company.

McKeesport will take action today to prevent the Monongahela Light Company from executing its threat to shut off the street lights tomorrow evening.

City Solicitor Douglass and Attorney W. B. Rodgers will apply to common pleas court this morning for a restraining order on the company.

STOCK HELD LOW WITHOUT EXCUSE

United States Steel Corporation's Assets Far Ahead of Its Liabilities.

NEW FIGURES ARE GIVEN

Philadelphia News Bureau Argues That Lack of Faith Is Shown by Investors—Uses Mathematics to Prove Its Claim.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—The Philadelphia News Bureau publishes the following:

In the answer of the United States Steel Corporation to the Hodge bill for injunction in the chancery court of New Jersey last July, is given a list showing the value of the properties and assets of the corporation. This list has frequently been quoted, as it has naturally come to be taken as the corporation's estimate of where the values lie. The total foots up $1,400,291,000, while the total par value of all bonds and stocks issued at that time was $1,322,340,200.

Evidently the public has never become convinced that the assets of the Steel Corporation reached anything like $1,400,000,000. It is not a sufficient answer to this lack of faith to point out that the stocks are selling far below their par value, and in fact that the total market value, at $100 for the bonds, 84 for the preferred stock and 36 for the common stock, is only $915,000,000, for the simple reason that the interest and dividends are being paid on these bonds and stocks, the common stock receiving as much as 4 per cent. These interest and dividend payments are a further claim that the assets amount to the figures set forth in the Hodge litigation. If the market price of $36 a share for the common stock is justifiable, then the payment of 4 per cent dividends on this stock is wholly unjustifiable, and points to something very wrong. If, on the other hand, the common stock dividend payment is sound and justifiable, the low current market price of the stock is unjustifiable and a value of the properties and assets approximating $1,400,000,000 must be shown to be reasonable.

Big Sum in Ore Property.

Of this total sum named in the Hodge litigation, half is represented by $700,000,000 in iron ore properties. The other half is made up of seven counts, including plants, transportation facilities, coal, coke, limestone and natural gas properties, and cash and cash assets. With this latter half there has never been any serious question. Argument pro and con must center around the first half, and this view is further substantiated by many statements of the corporation's officials that the main assets of the corporation lie in the ownership of iron ore properties.

The most striking feature of this $700,000,000 worth of iron ore property is that, according to Mr. Schwab's testimony before the industrial commission, it will be exhausted in 60 years. According to the present alignment of the corporation's securities, only a little over $300,000,000 will be retired in 60 years or any other period, and if the bond conversion plan goes through only an additional $200,000,000 (of preferred stock) would be retired, with an addition to the other assets of $40,000,000 worth of plant, leaving $160,000,000 worth of ore property exhausted and not accounted for.

Nevertheless, we may reasonably assume that in view of the fact that all the properties now merged into the United States Steel Corporation have been entirely built up in a couple of decades or so, and have been built up mainly by earnings and not by fresh capital, that in the course of six decades this amount would readily be made up. With an industry which has made such rapid strides and such enormous earnings, it looks like splitting hairs to forecast in dollars and cents the condition over half a century hence.

The Next Twenty Years.

What really concerns us is the next 10 or 20 years. Assets claimed to amount to $700,000,000 and represented by bonds and stocks to that par value, are being gradually and steadily exhausted. The first year practically the whole of the $700,000,000 assets lies idle in the ground, while bond interest and stock dividends are paid out against it, and each succeeding year only a slightly diminished amount lies idle and unproductive. Can the corporation stand such a drain, or can it be shown that this unused ore property is not in a financial sense unproductive? This is a question on which a great deal can be said.

The last report of the corporation showed that in the first nine months there had been set aside as a sinking fund on the $304,000,000 bonds $1,520,000, which is equal to 2-3 of 1 per cent a year. This amount annually, invested at 4 per cent, and the corporation can do better than this by buying its own bonds or stock, would retire the $304,000,000 bonds in considerably less than 60 years.

In the year ended March 31, 1902, the corporation mined 13,326,705 tons of ore in the Lake Superior region. A portion went to blast furnaces owned by outsiders and such amount will be cut down in the future as the corporation increases its own furnace capacity, so that the amount of ore mined annually will probably not increase very greatly. The 13,000,000 tons of ore mined was easily worth in the open market $2 a ton above the entire cost of mining, including new shafts and all development work, showing a profit of over $26,000,000 in the year, which the ore properties actually earned.

To Retire Other Bonds.

Deducting 5 per cent interest on $304,000,000 of bonds and 2-3 of 1 per cent sinking fund to retire the bonds, or $17,230,000, leaves $8,770,000 towards decreasing other securities outstanding, or building up properties to offset the exhaustion of ore. This amount, invested at the same rate as the bond sinking fund, would retire in the same period four times that amount of bonds, or $1,200,000,000, more than all the preferred and common stock, even if bought at par, and yielding only 4 per cent, although purchases of preferred stock would yield 7 per cent on par. Such a consummation would leave the holder of the last share of stock to be purchased as the owner of the entire remaining assets of the corporation.

This is an astounding statement, but it is what the figures lead us to if we choose to follow them.

Against such a deduction there naturally comes up the question whether the ore is always going to show a profit of $2 or more a ton and what the independent steel makers are going to do meanwhile. They have ore properties, also, and plants with which to work the ore into the same products the Steel Corporation makes. That is the crux of the situation. The corporation was absolutely safe last year and this, but what about next year and the year after To investigate this means to take a survey of the whole iron situation as it is today.

The term "ore in sight" is variously used by the conversative mining engineer and the "engineer" whose services are prospectus. We use the term in the strict sense, meaning ore which it is practically assured exists. Then there is in the Lake Superior region about 800,000,000 tons of fairly high grade ore, of which the corporation owns about three-fourths, or 600,000,000 tons. Higher estimates than 800,000,000 tons include low grade ores, not necessarily better than the low grade ores of Pennsylvania and other states, which are practically abandoned until the Lake Superior high grade ores are exhausted, and include also ore which possibly exists.

Various independent steel companies vaguely claim ownership of large bodies of Lake Superior ore. One puts its holdings at 70,000,000 tons, and the total claims amount to many times the 200,000,000 tons left outside of the Steel Corporation. Obviously the outsiders base their claims on low grade ores, no better than those in other regions, and on ores whose existence is problematical. However much such ore there might be, the Steel Corporation would have the advantage, its ores being of better quality and $1, $2 or more above the other ores. On this count the showing is not bad for the corporation.

Heavy Ore Shipments.

As to the exhaustion of the high grade ores, statistics furnish an exact basis for deductions. While the Steel Corporation is mining at the rate of between 13,000,000 and 14,000,000 tons a year, and shipping part of it by rail direct to Illinois furnaces, the total lake ore shipments to December 1 this year were 26,770,000 tons. This shows that the Steel Corporation, owning three-fourths of the high grade ores, shipped barely half the total, while other interests, owning only one-fourth, shipped the other half. At that rate, these outside deposits of good ore will be exhausted in 15 years, while the Steel corporation will still have 45 years to go on.

In the latter period it will have plain enough sailing. In the ensuing 15 years in order that it should not go back, ore must continue to be worth good figures, but with the absorption of all ore properties, good, bad and indifferent, by independent companies in the past two or three years, it is hard to see how ore can possibly go down.

GROW DELIVERS HIS FAREWELL

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Room 10, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., DEC. 10.

Galusha A. Grow, congressman-at-large from Pennsylvania, made a speech today in the house which has been called his farewell address, as on March 4 he will retire to private life. His subject today was on the adoption of some method of profit sharing between capital and labor to prevent strikes.

Mr. Grow is the only man now in congress of those who served therein when he made his first entry in 1851. He was elected in October, 1850, and served continually till 1863. In April, 1861, President Lincoln issued a call for 75,000 volunteer soldiers to defend the union. On July 4 of that same year an extra session of congress was called and Mr. Grow was chosen speaker, serving till March 4, 1863. At that extra session congress voted to borrow $500,000,000 on the credit of the government and provided for an army of 200,000 soldiers.

From 1863 till 1894 he remained in private life practicing his profession of the law. In 1894 he was chosen congressman-at-large and is now serving his fourth term as such.

He enjoys the distinction of receiving in the election of 1896 the largest plurality ever cast for any man for any office in any state, leading McKinley's plurality in Pennsylvania by over 5,000 votes.

BAD CAMP NEGROES.

Another Brutal Robbery Near Carnegie—Supt. McAleese Is Growing Angry.

George Diamond, a lineman employed by the Bell Telephone Company, was attacked and robbed by three colored men at the Wabash railroad camp near Carnegie yesterday afternoon. Diamond made a desperate resistance, but was overpowered and left with a broken arm and other injuries.

The highwaymen took $11 and made their escape. The authorities in Carnegie started in pursuit of the men and telephoned a description of the trio to the Pittsburgh detectives.

Superintendent McAleese declares that the colored men employed by the contractors on the Wabash line are as bad as the negroes who terrorized the country around Unity, and says that he will institute measures to keep down the criminal element. Several men from the camps have been arrested in the city and hereafter any of them who are caught will be severely punished.

New Charters Granted.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 10.—Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: The Columbian Construction Company, Mt. Jewett, McKean county, capital $10,000; Bath Portland Cement Company, Easton, capital $1,000; Industrial Land Improvement Company, Allegheny city, capital $10,000; Call's College, Pittsburgh, capital $15,000; the Kilgore and Atkinson Sporting Goods Company, Homestead, capital $20,000; Ambridge Land Company, Ambridge, Beaver county, capital $1,000.

Bequest Made to Yale.

TAMAQUA, PA., Dec. 10.—By the will of the late Benjamin Barge, which was probated in the Carbon county courts today, a bequest of $80,000 is made to the Yale university, $75,000 of which is to establish a chair of romance languages and literature. A bequest of $5,000 is made to the St. Luke's hospital at South Bethlehem, Pa., and $2,500 to the Lafayette college at Easton, Pa.

Permanent Civic Committee Meets.

Miss Kate C. McKnight has sent out notices for a meeting of the Permanent Civic committee to be held in the Twentieth Century club in Duquesne way tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock to hear reports from the different departments and to discuss plans for the future.

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COLORADO FUEL AGAIN AT PEACE

Officers Elected at a Harmonious Meeting in Denver.

AGREED ON DIRECTORS

The Various Factions Are Represented on the Board With James H. Hyde as the Thirteenth Member.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

DENVER, COL., Dec. 10.—Harmony characterized all the proceedings at the deferred annual meeting of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company today. As the result of the compromise reached by the factions, John C. Osgood remains at the head of the management as chairman of the board of directors. Only four changes were made in the list of officers. J. H. McClement succeeds Dennis Sullivan as second vice president and George J. Gould, J. H. McClement and A. C. Cass succeed J. W. Gates, J. A. Blair and J. A. Mitchell as members of the executive committee.

The following directors were unanimously elected: James H. H. Hyde, H. E. Huntington, E. H. Harriman, J. A. Kebler, J. M. Herbert, A. C. Cass, George J. Gould, J. L. Jerome, Edwin Hawley, John H. McClement, Frank Trumbull, Charles Henry Butler and J. C. Osgood.

Messrs. Gould, Herbert, McClement and Butler were named for the Gould committees; Messrs. Huntington, Hawley, Harriman and Trumbull by the Hawley-Harriman committee and Messrs. Kebler, Cass, Jerome and Osgood by the Osgood committee and James H. Hyde was named for the thirteenth member of the board by mutual agreement.

It was announced that the case in the United States court had been dismissed and consequently the meeting was held under the direction of the board and not under the court's control. Roll call developed the strength of the several factions. J. P. McClement, representing Mr. Gould and friends, held proxies for 94,143 shares, and J. L. Jerome, representing Mr. Osgood and friends, held proxies for 90,257 shares.

A meeting of the new board of directors was held at which officers and members of the executive committee for the ensuing year were unanimously elected as follows:

Chairman, J. C. Osgood; president, J. A. Kebler; first vice president, A. C. Cass; second vice president, J. H. McClement; third vice president, J. L. Jerome; secretary, D. C. Beaman; treasurer, J. L. Jerome; executive committee, George J. Gould, J. H. McClement, J. C. Osgood, J. A. Kebler, A. C. Cass.

The president announced the appointment of the following officers: General counsel, D. C. Beaman; general manager, iron department, C. S. Robinson; general manager, fuel department, John T. Kebler; general attorney, operating department, Fred Herrington; general attorney, land department, Cass F. Herrington; assistant secretary and assistant treasurer, residing in New York, C. E. Phelps; assistant secretary residing in Denver, A. D. Moss; general sales agent, J. F. Welborn; assistant to the president, M. M. Waite.

Hunter Shot by Companion.

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Leonard D. Brown, former member of the state assembly and defeated recently for re-election, was shot and fatally wounded this morning while rabbit hunting. He was in advance and stooped over, straightening just as a companion, Charles Miller, fired at a rabbit. Part of the charge struck him in the head, inflicting a fatal wound.

Jury Acquits McKean.

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The jury in the case of Joseph McKean, who was on trial here for the murder of Elmer Christy at Hilliard on the night of October 26, this afternoon returned in half an hour a verdict of not guilty. It was shown that Christy attacked McKean first.

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TORRANCE WANTS NO CABINET PLUM

With Walter Lyon He Calls on Insurance Commissioner Durham at Philadelphia.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Public Ledger Building,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.

Francis J. Torrance, accompanied by ex-Lieut.-Gov. Walter Lyon, called this morning upon Insurance Commissioner I. W. Durham. Mr. Torrance explained that quite a number of influential Pittsburgh Republicans were urging Mr. Lyon to be a candidate for attorney general in the cabinet of Gov.-elect Pennypacker, and he wanted to learn how Mr. Durham would regard his candidacy.

Mr. Durham said he was not authorized to speak for Judge Pennypacker, but he had been informed that the position of attorney general would probably be tendered to W. B. Rodgers of Pittsburgh. There was some further talk and Messrs. Lyon and Torrance withdrew.

Mr. Torrance, when asked what he had to say in regard to the story which connects his name with the banking commissionership said:

"There is no truth in that tale. The position has not been tendered me, and if it were I would refuse it. My time is too fully occupied with my business affairs to permit of my assuming the duties of a cabinet position."

CHESTER D. POTTER.

Lorena Lodge Celebrated.

Lorena lodge No. 198, Knights of Pythias, of Allegheny, celebrated the 15th anniversary of the organization of the lodge last night at their rooms in the Boyle building, Federal street. Dancing was indulged in by the younger guests, while euchre tables were placed at one side of the ballroom for those not caring for this form of amusement. Light refreshments were served in the dining room all evening. The address of welcome was made by Past Supreme Chancellor Thomas G. Sample. Past Supreme Representative H. O. Kline made a brief address. Capt. Henry Renziehausen was master of ceremonies. The committee on entertainment were: Frank Curry, H. J. V. Wettach and Captain Renziehausen.

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HOW TO SELECT A PIANO
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Pittsburgh, December 9.—Few people realize the importance in the selection of a piano for their home. It means a companion for a lifetime. If it becomes harsh or "tinpanny" in tone, you will always be dissatisfied. If you select a world-renowned make, like the genuine Chickering or the old reliable Hardman piano, you are sure to have a standard make with a sweet, singing, poetic and mellow tone that will last a lifetime. These pianos are sold only by W. F. Frederick, the Reliable Piano Dealer, 633 Smithfield street. Also the Kroeger, McPhail, Behr Bros., Schomacker, Haines & Co. pianos, Estey organs and the perfect piano player, Chase & Baker. Reasonable prices. Terms to suit. Pianos from $175 upward. Art catalogue free. Largest selection of pianos in Pittsburgh. Entire building. Bargains in used Chickering, Hardman, Steinway Baby Grand and Upright Pianos. G. Schroeder, Mgr. Open evenings.

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Gift Suggestions—

Below we mention a few useful—

RODGERS MAY BE IN THE CABINET

Thomas S. Bigelow Thinks He Will Be Appointed Attorney General.

GOVERNOR IS FRIENDLY

Banking Commissionership Will Come to This County--Old Organization May Nominate McGonnigle for Recorder.

William B. Rodgers may be attorney general of Pennsylvania under Gov. Pennypacker.

Thomas S. Bigelow returned to the city yesterday from Philadelphia, where he saw Gov. Pennypacker. The purpose of his visit was to urge the appointment of Mr. Rodgers as attorney general. He says that the governor showed great interest, and he believes that the appointment will be made. According to Mr. Bigelow, Quay and Durham are in favor of the Pittsburgh lawyer.

Every one agrees that Mr. Rodgers is qualified for the position. He is one of the foremost lawyers in the state. He has not been a candidate for the place, but his friends have taken it upon themselves to urge his selection.

The banking commissionership is also likely to come to this county. George Von Bonnhorst and W. T. Marshall are prominently mentioned. The name of Robert McAfee, of Allegheny has also been put on the list of possibilities. Gov. Pennypacker is taking his own time to make the selection.

Mr. Bigelow says that the appointment of Mr. Rodgers will have no effect on the recordership. There was no discussion of the local situation in the east Tuesday, and the visit of Mr. Bigelow had no bearing on the coming city election.

The old organization leaders have a number of men in view as recordership timber. Among the number is Robert D. McGonnigle of the Twentieth ward. Many of his friends are urging the leaders to make him the candidate. They say that he would accept the nomination. Mr. McGonnigle is treasurer of the Atlantic Tube Company. He has never been active in politics, but is one of the best known men in the city.

There is a report in machine circles that Samuel Wainwright of the Eighteenth ward is to be made an independent candidate for recorder in the interest of the old organization. It is difficult to see where there would be any advantage in the scheme, as Wainwright would take votes from the organization nominee.

Register Edwards will remain in the office of which he is now the head. When he retires as register in January, Auditor General E. B. Hardenbergh will appoint him his representative in the collection of taxes due to the state collected by the register's office. The place is said to carry a salary of $5,000 a year.

Dodger Henry Taken to Jail.

John, alias "Dodger" Henry, who was arrested on Tuesday night by Detective Delehanty, was committed to jail yesterday to await trial on a charge of burglary at Emsworth. Attorney W. A. Lewis and his son, Bernard, of Amberson avenue, called at police headquarters, but failed positively to identify Henry as the man who tried to rob the Lewis residence. They said the man wore similar clothes and had the general appearance of the prisoner.

Claims Valuable Ground.

PADUCAH, KY., Dec. 10.—Walter Watkins left today for Philadelphia with an old lease he has guarded for 14 years. He claims it gives him, as one of the Baker heirs, the title to 22 acres of ground, on which some of Philadelphia's business buildings stand. The land, according to the lease, which is over 100 years old, was to revert to the heirs after the lease expired, which was several years ago.

THE WEATHER.

The unsettled weather of yesterday will continue today, according to the forecast sent out by the Washington weather observer last night. The prediction is for rain or snow today and colder. For tomorrow snow is predicted. There was a considerable rise in yesterday's temperature over that of Tuesday. During the afternoon 41 degrees, the maximum for the day, was registered. The minimum was 20 degrees.

Rain.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon	38 deg.	8 p. m.	40 deg.
4 p. m.	40 deg.	12 midnight	38 deg.

Time of sunrise today.....7:14 a. m.
Time of sunset today.....4:33 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.12	35	72	S. W.	Misting
8 p. m.	30.13	40	88	W.	Misting

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 10:

	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	49	27	57	27	63	53
Minimum	34	18	43	14	55	39
Mean	42	23	50	20	59	46

Maximum temperature (4 p. m.) 41
Minimum temperature (1 a. m.) 20
Mean temperature 30
Normal temperature (for 31 years) 36
Deficiency in the temperature for the day 6
Deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1.. 33
Excess in temperature since January 1... 119
Normal precipitation (for 31 years) ..... .09
Precipitation for the day ..... T
Deficiency in the precipitation for the day .09
Deficiency in the precipitation since Dec. 1 .04
Deficiency in precipitation since January 1. 5.33

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—Forecast for Tuesday and Friday:

Western Pennsylvania—Rain or snow in south, snow in north portion Thursday; colder, fresh to north winds. Friday, probably snow flurries.

Ohio—Cloudy and colder Thursday, with rain in the morning and probably snow during the day in northeast portion; Friday fair, fresh winds, becoming north.

West Virginia—Rain Thursday, colder by night; Friday fair, except probably snow and colder in the mountain districts.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Pittsburg	40	Misting	
Cincinnati	48	Rain	
Parkersb'g	46	Rain	
Columbus	44	Rain	
Ind'n'p'lis	42	Rain	
St. Louis	64	Rain	
Cairo	58	Clear	
Kansas C.	38	Rain	
Chicago	34	Cloudy	
Des Moines	24	Cloudy	
Louisville	62	Rain	
Memphis	60	Cloudy	
Vicksburg	62	Cloudy	
G. Haven	28	Cloudy	
Denver	44	Clear	
Omaha	18	Clear	
N. Orleans	62	Cloudy	
Jack'nville	60	Clear	
Phila'phia	38	Cloudy	
N. Y. City	34	Cloudy	
Buffalo	34	Cloudy	
Cleveland	36	Rain	
Marquette	12	Cloudy	
St. Paul	12	Cloudy	
Duluth	4	PtCldy	

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COLD WEATHER REFUGE OF A QUARANTINE OFFICER.

When the recent sudden cold snap came the quarantine officers guarding houses infected by smallpox, in many streets on the Hill, were forced to improvise some queer shelters. One of them is shown in the picture. It is a large drygoods box, having a fire in front of it.

HOMEOPATHS HONOR DR. S. W. S. DINSMORE

He Was Unanimously Elected President of Allegheny County Homeopathic Medical Society.

At a meeting of the Allegheny County Homeopathic Medical society, held yesterday afternoon at the Homeopathic hospital, the following officers were elected to serve during the year 1903: President, Dr. S. W. Dinsmore; vice president, Dr. J. F. Ballingame; secretary, Dr. J. F. Nicholas. The meeting was largely attended.

Dr. Dinsmore, the newly-elected president, is one of the most widely known homeopaths in the state. He has been a member of the medical society for 24 years. A recognition of his worth was given yesterday by those of his profession when he was unanimously chosen president of the society.

Dr. Dinsmore was graduated from the Hahneman Medical college of Philadelphia and came direct to Sharpsburg, where he established himself in 1877. During his residence in this vicinity he has gained a remarkably large practice and has been unusually successful. Dr. Dinsmore is a profound student, and during recent years has contributed numerous valuable papers to the medical journals of the country.

Although Dr. Dinsmore has never taken an active part in the politics of Sharpsburg, the residents of the borough have asked him to accept the nomination for burgess at the coming election, and it is likely he will accept. Dr. Dinsmore will call a meeting of the Allegheny County Homeopathic Medical society immediately after he assumes his new duties, on January 1, 1903.

Jumped Through a Window.

While suffering from a delirium, brought on by long illness, Mrs. Annie Martin of Duquesne jumped from the third story window of her home, at No. 28 Railroad street, early yesterday morning. Her nose and right arm were broken and her legs badly contused. She was cut about the face and hands by glass, as she pumped through the closed window. She was taken to the McKeesport hospital.

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ST. THOMAS PUT BEHIND THE BARS

Noisy Evangelist from Bellaire Arrested as Disorderly.

PREACHED IN HIS CELL

Forced With Difficulty to Cease Disturbing Other Prisoners. Holds Meetings in Streets and Has Queers Banners.

"Saint Thomas" is a prisoner in Central police station. He was arrested at the Newsboys Home last night while preaching in the street and was locked up on a charge of disorderly conduct.

His vicissitudes did not end after being placed behind the bars, for the moment he heard the grating of the lock he started singing "Rock of Ages." This disturbed the prisoner in the next cell and the preacher was moved to another range. There he began invoking all those around him to repent of their sins. His voice aroused several drunken men and he was forced to keep silent.

The prisoner is about 50 years of age and professes to be a prophet sent by divine authority to tell of the second coming of Christ. His home is at No. 3264 Union street, Bellaire. He is known by no other name than that of "Saint Thomas."

The Bellaire prophet scorns creeds and all religious bodies. He is an independent preacher in all that the term implies, according to the police, who say that frequent complaint has been made against him by churches where he insisted upon standing before the doors after services and delivering his harangue. He follows the Salvation Army and takes advantage of overflow meetings for his audiences.

"Saint Thomas" did not have the benefit of a good education, judging from the inscriptions on his banner used to herald the coming of the Lord. These were inscribed on a section of a yellow window blind, with a red lead pencil. In a corner was formed a rude cross, with the following scribbled around it:

"This is my body and this is my blood, my Saveour and King. He has sent me to tell ye cease from sin and enter in no murderers, no drunkards, no thieves, liears nor blashemers shall inherit the kingdom of God. A messehege from Jesus."

The man carried a finely bound volume of the New Testament, in which numerous crosses are drawn.

Policeman Robert Fitzgerald did not like the form of the prophet's ritual in his services in front of the Newsboys Home. To him it looked like an ordinary case of disorderly conduct and he placed "Saint Thomas" under arrest.

PANIC IN A CAR.

Wagon Driver Injured and Young Woman Trampled On.

During a panic in a trolley car in Butler street yesterday morning Miss Lauck, aged 19, was trampled upon by the passengers, who fought their way to the door when the car collided with a wagon. The girl was removed to her home, No. 187 Thirty-fourth street, and it is said her condition is serious.

The car ran into a wagon of Mohn Bros., laundrymen of Penn avenue. Thomas Edmundson, the driver, was thrown to the street and the wagon almost demolished. The horse was so badly injured that it was shot. Edmundson was badly hurt by the fall.

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With many thanks to you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

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poor digestion, when obliged to pass your water frequently night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, headache, backache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, diabetes, bloating, irritability, wornout feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion, or Bright's disease.

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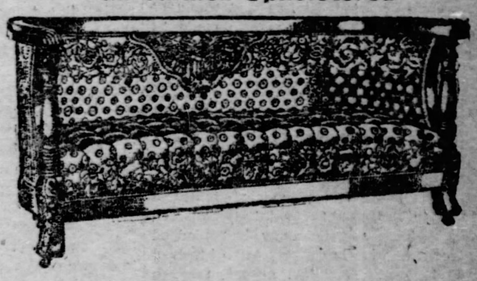

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Nothing cheap about these plates except the price. A FULL SIZED DINNER PLATE, of fine semi-porcelain, smooth, with handsomely decorated centers; green, pink or blue borders and full gold band—a 35c plate anywhere. For one day only—Friday,

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Not more than 6 will be sold to any one customer.

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Hamilton's Christmas Pianos

The buying of Christmas pianos is now at full tide. And as might be expected, this famous old music house is thronged with shoppers every day. Judging from the expressions heard from customers, there is as much delight in selecting pianos here as Christmas gifts for friends as those for whom they are intended will experience when the presents are bestowed. And no one need wonder that this is so. Never before in the history of the music business has Pittsburgh seen such a stock as is now assembled at Hamilton's. The instruments are beautiful in the extreme. And the prices are as attractive as the cases are exceptional.

Prices of pianos here range from $200 up. And they are sold on such easy terms of payment that it is your own fault if you don't have a new instrument for Christmas.

Please understand that the terms will be made to suit your convenience, no matter what kind of instrument you select.

Although pianos constitute the main business of this establishment, the line of small goods is equally noteworthy. And persons seeking such things as music boxes, talking machines, cornets, guitars, mandolins, etc., should not fail to see this stock.

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING TILL CHRISTMAS.

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There are other music boxes, but none to compare with the Stella. It will play all your favorite musical compositions in a manner that will delight the most critical ear. The Stella is the most modern, up-to-date music box on the market, and is so much superior to all others that comparison is out of the question. There is practically no limit to the number and variety of tunes it will play for you.

Stella Music Boxes, $26 and up—Other Good Music Boxes, $3 and up.

Schumann Piano

The Schumann piano is a favorite because of its sweetly sympathetic tone and the fact that it sells at a moderate price. You may gain an idea of the esteem in which this piano is held when you know that the Schumann is actually superior to many pianos that cost from $100 to $200 more. If you wish a moderate priced piano as a Christmas gift, by all means come in and examine the Schumann.

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Splendid variety for gift purposes.

Cases for Guitars, Mandolins, Violins, etc. Cloth, canvas, wood and leather cases at all prices, ranging from

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Music Cabinets $5 and up

Styles and finish to suit every taste, including a number of beautifully inlaid cabinets.

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Smith & Barnes Piano

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The Angelus Orchestral Piano Player

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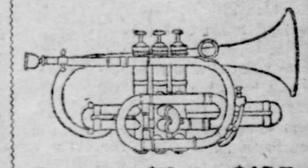

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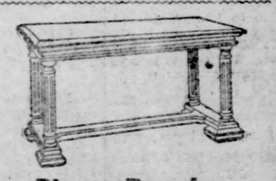

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It is reported that President Castro has called upon the loyal citizens of Venezuela to make war upon Great Britain and Germany. It is not to be supposed for a moment that Castro imagines Venezuela has any power to resist the two powers. It must be, then, that his purpose is, if possible, to involve the United States in the imbroglio, and it is easily conceivable that may be done. Castro's act in ordering the arrest of all subjects of England and Germany residing in Venezuela amounted to a declaration of war, or, to be more accurate, to a recognition that a state of war exists, as that would be the only ground on which such arrests could be justified. England and Germany so interpreted the act.

A communication from the Venezuelan government, received at Washington, protests against the seizure of the Venezuelan navy as an act of hostility. This bears out the inference drawn above, that Castro means war, but takes the view that it was begun by the other powers. It also clearly indicates his desire to draw the United States into the quarrel, though Great Britain and Germany had pledged themselves to not allow this country to be involved if they could help it. They had agreed, through their ambassadors at Washington, to keep clear of the Monroe doctrine, which is our only excuse for interference; to merely collect their claims and then depart, leaving Venezuela to its own devices. Apparently, however, they had not contemplated the possibility of Castro declaring war and beginning actual hostilities.

In the present aspect of the affair the position of the United States becomes serious. Unless England and Germany abstain from any attempt to seize territory the Monroe doctrine will become operative. England, it is quite certain, does not desire war with the United States, and Germany is hardly prepared for a conflict of such serious import. But Germany has been making "goo-goo" eyes toward South America and might choose a course that will set the Monroe doctrine at naught. Her policy in other parts of the world has been one of the use of arbitrary power. In China the lives of two German missionaries afforded excuse for seizing a port and half a province. The same sort of policy applied to Venezuela would spell trouble on a very broad scale. And if England should stand by Germany the much-talked-of world war would most likely be precipitated.

An attempt to seize Venezuelan territory would be a provocation to all other American states in the same degree as to the United States. The others have no Monroe doctrine, but they have shared in ours, which has been their only protection against European aggression. The fundamental principle of the Monroe doctrine is that an attack upon one republic, with intent to destroy its sovereignty, is an attack upon all. Those less able to defend themselves than the United States are more deeply interested in maintaining the principle than is this country. Thus they would all naturally become involved if the matter reached a stage of war for that principle. None except Chili and Mexico have any considerable war strength, but in the aggregate they would form a factor to be reckoned with, especially acting under American direction. In addition, it might be expected France would not overlook such an opportunity to seek vengeance upon England and Germany and that would afford an excuse for Russia to participate in the hostilities. This would make an unnatural array of the world forces, but war is like politics in that it makes strange bedfellows. International politics are selfish in the highest degree, so that in crises race relationships are forgotten.

We do not believe there is to be any general war as a result of Venezuela's impudence. England and Germany have no more reason to desire such a disturbance than has the United States. While we prize our commerce with Europe, we are not dependent upon it for existence. England and Germany, on the other hand, have not merely a commerce to look to, but a food supply as well. If they should make war with the United States they would not only lose their commerce, but they would be in danger of going hungry. Germany has less to fear in this particular than Great Britain and is more covetous of South American territory, so she would be more likely to welcome war, but it is hardly conceivable she would plunge in alone. It is more likely the European powers, even in the face of such puny war as Castro may wage, will be true to their understanding with the United States, collect their claims, secure the property of their citizens, enforce guarantees and leave Venezuela to its independent existence. Such is obviously not Castro's desire, however, and it must be admitted he has done about all in his power to involve others in his dispute. To the arrest of German and English subjects he has added confiscation of their property—a powerful provocation to seizure of territory in retaliation.

At this juncture it is a fair question whether or not the United States should at once assume the aggressive role of national policeman. Following the demand for the release of the British and German subjects put under arrest Minister Bowen might with propriety demand the immediate restoration of properties of foreigners seized by the Venezuelan government, thus making the quarrel our own. Admiral Dewey's squadrons are in easy steaming distance to make that protest effective. That policy, if adopted, would leave England and Germany nothing to do but stand by and see proper discipline administered, or to lend such assistance as they might in enforcing it. Castro's evident purpose to involve the United States in some way is ample justification for an aggressive movement for peace, and if it can only be obtained by fighting for it, it will be a simpler matter to discipline Venezuela than to have a conflict with the powers. Minister Bowen has exhibited good judgment as far as he has acted and there is reason to believe will continue doing the right thing. Venezuela has become an international nuisance and this appears an opportune time to abate it. It is merely a question of the mode of procedure and of the active agent in the necessary proceedings.

The statement of Mr. McCrea, published on another page, presents the Pennsylvania case in the matter of the elevation of the Wabash tracks in strong light. He says it is merely a question whether the Wabash begins a down grade from Liberty street or from the bank of the river. Mr. Patterson, engineer of the Wabash, will have something to say today, and it will be wise to suspend judgment until he has been heard. He may put the question in a different light. Be that as it may, Mr. McCrea's declaration that the Pennsylvania is not trying to obstruct the Wabash is gratifying. No doubt the railroad corporations could come to mutually satisfactory terms about crossings and the like if only councils would do just what they want.

THE OHIO VALLEY SURVEY.

The Ohio River Improvement association is naturally disturbed by the opposition of Congressman Burton, chairman of the rivers and harbors committee, to an expenditure of money to give the Ohio river a nine foot stage of water all the year. At first there was a disposition to discredit published reports from Washington that quoted Mr. Burton's hostile remarks, but officers and members of the association have now heard it from his own lips and are therefore convinced. His new position is a surprise to them, inasmuch as heretofore he has expressed approval of the project, which, peculiarly enough, he does not now condemn, though his condemnation of appropriations for it amounts to the same thing. But it must be apparent that if the project is not one to be condemned, and if it is one that will confer large benefits on territory inhabited by 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 people, it is worth spending money for. It is poor statesmanship that opposes an improvement merely because it costs money. The only question that should have place in the mind of Congressman Burton and of others is whether the benefit that will result from making the Ohio navigable in dry seasons as well as in wet seasons are so great as to justify the expenditure. If they are it is unquestionable that the United States can afford all it will cost. We think that if this view is impressed on congress it will be possible to secure at this session the passage of the proposed appropriation for a survey of the Ohio river from the Miami to the Mississippi. The sum asked for this purpose is $200,000. Congress ought to provide it in spite of Mr. Burton, and if the item cannot be placed in the appropriation bill in the house it may be possible to get it into the bill in the senate and retained there. The apparent desire of Chairman Burton is to avoid personal responsibility, and if the senate will accept it his present hostility may be disarmed. To secure the appropriation for this survey is a necessary and important step. If it is not secured at this session of congress it means a delay of at least a year in the preliminary work, and a protraction of the effort to secure the improvement. With President Roosevelt favorable to the project its promoters have reason to feel greatly encouraged in spite of Burton, and ought to address themselves vigorously to influencing congressional opinion in favor of the bill to provide money for the survey. This is the nearest duty, and it is therefore the most important at the moment.

RIVALS OR FRIENDS.

In his address in Carnegie lecture hall, Allegheny, Gen. Z. T. Sweeny pointed the United States to supremacy of the Pacific and turned the light on the nation he holds to be its prospective competitor for domination of its coasts and waters. Russia seems very distant from this country and our points of contact with it are so few, being altogether commercial, that it is seldom or never looked upon as a rival, present or future. Gen. Sweeny, however, sees it as such, and as he has had some experience in international relations as minister to Turkey his views along that line are entitled to respect, but they ought not to be accepted without question. In closing his lecture he declared America to be the great modern exponent of expansion, that expansion is a necessity of its national health and that its logical direction is in the regions of the Pacific, the civilization of whose shores and islands it must dominate. "If," said he, "America does not do this Russia will, and the shadow on the dial of human progress will be turned backward for a thousand years."

With all respect to Gen. Sweeny, his view is an extreme one. Russia is influential now in the Pacific coast regions of Asia and dominant over a considerable portion of them. We must judge what Russia is likely to do in those parts by what she has already done. Russian civilization in the main is of a cruder sort than American civilization and less restricted by ideals in its operation. It must be at least a question if, because of this, it has not been better suited than would have been America to the work that was to be done and that has been done. Russia has accomplished wonders in its progress from the Urals to the Pacific and has given to vast regions stable government for centuries unknown to their peoples. The natural result is material progress and prosperity. We may therefore conclude that the extension of Russian influence, notwithstanding blemishes that might readily be pointed out, will be beneficial. America and American civilization can have no quarrel with this. Rather, we ought to welcome it. The United States and Russia have and probably will continue to have different spheres of influence in the Pacific and there is little likelihood that they will conflict. We ought not to see in Russia a dangerous rival to be opposed, but a co-laborer to be greeted as a friend. The relations of the two countries have been amicable in the main, and the people of the United States will prefer to have them grow more so with the progress of time and the development of Russia and Russian institutions along more liberal lines.

OUR NAVAL DILEMMA.

The navy of the United States is short of officers and the naval academy is not turning out a sufficient number to properly keep up the supply. A United States war vessel gets along with half the number of officers that would be assigned to duty on a similar vessel in most foreign navies. But unless congress makes provision for a greater number of cadets at the academy it will not be long until many of Uncle Sam's war vessels will be compelled to tie up at the docks. The increase in the number of vessels, requiring a larger supply of officers, and the deaths and retirements, are responsible for the present dilemma, for which our lawmakers are responsible. But now, in addition to this there arises another peril to the navy, for upon a decision of the court of claims it depends whether there shall be a further depletion of the navy's active list. The facts before the court of claims are these: Capt. Gibson, under the retirement law, left the active list, and under the provision of the naval personnel law of March 3, 1899, was given the rank and retired pay of the next higher grade, which is rear admiral. The law of 1899 gave this advantage of advancement in grade and retired pay to all officers of the navy who served in the civil war. It also provided for 18 rear admirals on the active list, stating "that each rear admiral embraced in the nine lower numbers of that grade shall receive the same pay and allowances as are now allowed a brigadier general in the army." Admiral Gibson, for so he must now be called, claims that "the only admirals in the navy who shall receive the pay of brigadier general are embraced in the nine lower numbers on the active list," and that he, therefore, on stepping from the grade of captain on the active list to that of rear admiral on the retired list became entitled to the same pay as a major general on the retired list. This is $5,625 a year, while the pay and allowance of a captain in the navy, when doing shore duty, amount to about $4,600. By going on the retired list, it therefore appears, if the Gibson claim is allowed, that each captain would practically receive $1,000 more pay each year on the retired list than he received when doing duty on the active list, for practically all the 70 captains on the active list of the navy saw service in the civil war, and all are therefore entitled to retire with the grade of rear admiral and the retired pay of the grade. Furthermore, many of the commanders and lieutenant commanders who would succeed them as captains would be entitled to the same benefits on retirement, and there can be little doubt that all would retire as quickly as possible to secure the manifest advantage within their reach, pending the amendment of the law to conform with the undeniable intention of congress in passing it.

The Gibson claim, whether it is allowed or not, serves to call attention, because of the possibility that the decision may further impair the effective force of the navy, to the actually crippled condition of the service, and the certainty that it will be further crippled unless congress immediately opens wider the doors of the naval academy. It isn't worth while to provide ships unless provision is made to officer and man them. Our navy is making a brave show at the moment in the maneuvers in the Caribbean sea, but will not be able to do so well a few years from now at the present rate of progress backward.

THE CIVIC FEDERATION.

The annual convention of the National Civic Federation at New York has attracted much attention. The addresses have possessed educational value and contain some practical suggestions. There has been some misapprehension in the public mind regarding the character of the organization which may be removed by attention to the proceedings. The Federation first claimed popular attention when it intervened in the anthracite strike of 1900 and brought about a settlement. Much hope attached to its efforts to bring the disputants together again last spring, but they failed of their purpose. In an interview the secretary of the Federation throws needed light upon the aims and objects of the organization, as follows:

It is simply an executive committee of a department, consisting of some 300 members, whose object is not merely to attempt to prevent or settle strikes, but as far as possible to get back to their causes and apply a remedy. It never was intended that this executive committee should arbitrate anything. If so, it would have been organized on a somewhat different basis. The declaration of principles has only one reference to arbitration—namely, where all means of conciliation fail and both sides wish to avail themselves of the good offices of individual members of the committee—something not often likely to happen.

The Federation is a practical, not a sentimental organization. It declares that instead of failure, the work it attempted to do in connection with the anthracite coal strike was pre-eminently successful. It was through its committee, it is declared, that the presidents of the anthracite coal roads and the president and district presidents of the United Mine Workers union were first brought together in frank conference. Further, the Federation as an organization, it is claimed, exerted a powerful moral influence in causing the final consent on the part of the mine operators to the appointment of a national commission.

It is too early to judge of the exact influence the organization may exert in shaping industrial affairs, but the character of the men prominently identified with it augurs the accomplishment of good. Objects that command the attendance of Senator Hanna, ex-President Cleveland, Charles Francis Adams and other men of large affairs at the meetings for their discussion are worth considering. They will be considered. The discussions will be followed. The suggestions will be noted. Out of it all will come some practical progress toward conference, conciliation and arbitration in the settlement of industrial disputes to displace the unreasonable strike and lock-out.

Wisely the contestants for control of Colorado Fuel and Iron allowed themselves to be conciliated and elected their board by mutual agreement. Mr. James H. Hyde of the Equitable interest becomes the arbiter, holding the balance of power, which assures conservative decisions.

Gov. Yates to Gov. Stone makes a bit of spicy reading. The Illinois executive intimates the Keystone chief magistrate has gone off half-cock and without provocation. It will probably be as well to close the incident with that.

There is no great rush among the house Democrats for the caucus nomination for speaker. The modern thrifty politician sees little fun in doing the martyr act.

"Dodger" Henry, the captured crook, seems to have been of the "artful" variety, from the length of time he succeeded in eluding the police.

Several New York aldermen have evidently started out with the purpose of subway tunneling themselves into fortune, if not into fame.

President Roosevelt's precept and example in brevity seems to have been overlooked by some of the departmental chiefs.

A Philadelphia newspaper has undertaken to free Ireland. Poor Ireland! It seems her woes will never have an end.

The Mascagni tour has developed every phase of strenuosity except the necessity for ordering out the militia.

Senator Pritchard seems to think things look rather black for the lily whites of South Carolina.

If general war does not result from the Venezuelan imbroglio it will not be Castro's fault.

The cabinet-making industry is among the trades that is looking up.

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It became known today that Miss Helen Gould has given the Salvation Army $1,000 to be expended on coal for the poor. It was against the wish of Miss Gould that this act of generosity become known, but it is hard to keep a deed of that kind from general knowledge. It is not known how the secret came out, but it got out, and then Commander Booth-Tucker could not truthfully deny it. Although Miss Gould is the largest single contributor to the charity coal fund in New York, there have been many other large donations. The difficulty is not to get money, but to obtain coal which the army is ready to pay for. The coal supply is short, and the indications are that there will not be enough to go all around all winter, unless the winter should be an exceptionally mild one. The Salvation Army, always active in charitable work, has made the coal question for the tenement dwellers its own affair, and its wagons are at the coal yards every day waiting for their loads of fuel. J. Pierpont Morgan has been asked to aid the army in obtaining coal at the market rates, and has promised to use his influence to that end. It is the general remark that there is no city in the country wherein poor folk are better taken care of than in New York. Cold and heartless it may be in some respects, but in its charities, organized and unorganized, it leads the world. There is actually no occasion for any man or woman to go hungry or cold in this city, if only he knows the trick of it. Soup kitchens, free lodgings, coal yards, clothing depots—these and hundreds of other institutions there are, all at the disposal of the needy, with a kind word accompanying the gift, as a rule. The Salvation Army is always active in relieving distress. The particular value of the army's work is that it finds out the modest, uncomplaining sufferers who do not know their way to the soup kitchens and the free coal yards, and takes care that their wants are served. Helen Gould, besides being divinely charitable, is a shrewd woman of business, and she sends her gifts through the Salvation Army whenever practicable.

Bishop Potter Deals With Strike.

Bishop Potter lectured this evening on "Lessons of the Coal Strike" to the Men's club of Grace chapel. The bishop took a great deal of interest in the anthracite coal strike, and his lecture proved that he had not been watching the struggle in vain. He told some good straight truths to his hearers, some of which probably did not strike them as favorably as they would had they been more flattering.

Pittsburgh Buyers on Hand.

The wholesale business district is crowded with buyers from other cities who are on the lookout for the latest novelties for Christmas. While the foundation of Christmas stocks was laid in long ago, the up-to-date merchant is always alert to secure any new thing that may appear on the market, in the hope of being ahead of his competitors. Pittsburgh merchants are noted for this. Wholesalers in this city say that the early bird in this respect is oftener a Pittsburgher than anyone else. M. Rosenbaum and Morris Kaufmann are two Pittsburgh merchants that I noticed hustling about in the drygoods district today.

Just Like Fort Duquesne.

If Fraunce's tavern, down at Pearl and Broad streets, wherein George Washington once had his headquarters, is not saved from destruction, it will not be for want of hand work on the part of patriotic New York women. They have been enlisting the help of prominent men for months. They have held meetings, and they have passed resolutions. They have got people who did not know where the tavern was to look at it and have asked them afterward if they could bear the idea of its being destroyed. The trouble is that sentiment and business are opposed in this matter, and sentiment stands but little chance in these days. However, there will be a monster petition presented to the board of estimates at its meeting tomorrow, and it is hoped that the board will be touched by it. Then the women will be ready for the next move.

Talk of Blood in French Duel!

Seven of the original teams are plugging along in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square garden. There is not much of an attendance in the daytime, but at night the big garden is comparatively full of spectators. The fact that there is a challenge to a duel hurled by one of the French team at his partner this morning, just after they had withdrawn from the race, gave a tang to the proceedings. There were several disputes between individuals in the course of the day, as there are always, but this bloodthirsty invitation to a duel was something extra, and was appreciated in proportion.

Garland Knows Situation.

The star speaker at the Civic Federation convention this afternoon was a Pittsburgher. He was M. M. Garland, formerly president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, and he spoke straight from the shoulder on the fundamental trouble between labor and capital. It was his characteristic way. He said, in effect, that if employers and employed would only get together and talk it over, there would be but very few strikes. He spoke for some time in this strain, and his remarks were punctured by frequent applause. He seemed to catch the temper of the meeting exactly. Pittsburgh knows Mr. Garland as a singularly able man with great executive ability and a great knowledge of men and things. He seemed to be at his best this afternoon.

Santa Claus Is Prosperous.

With the rising of the temperature this afternoon business in the retail stores went a-booming. Never in the history of New York have there been such crowds of Christmas shoppers in the streets as are there now. In every store in the regular shopping district large and small clerks and managers are worked nearly out of their senses. It seems as if everyone has money, and plenty of it. The tendency of most buyers is to purchase more expensive articles than in former years. Cheap goods are sold to a large extent, of course, but merchants say they never had such a rush for costly articles meant for Christmas presents as meets them this year. If the weather keeps moderately fair the next two weeks, the biggest retail business ever witnessed in that period in New York will prevail.

Vanderbilt Is Doing Well.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt left his card at the house of his brother Cornelius at noon, but did not go in to see him. Cornelius, lying sick with typhoid fever, is doing as well as can be expected, say his physicians. No complications have set in, and the patient has not been delirious. The Vanderbilt family have been somewhat divided, on account of the will of Cornelius, the elder, among other things, and young Cornelius has had to get along without seeing his relatives on his own side of the family, so far. No one fears a fatal ending, at present.

Talk of Anthracite Corner.

It is declared by some of the papers here that there is a well-organized corner in anthracite coal. The assertion is made that there is enough coal lying in barges along the New York river front and in cars over in New Jersey to keep New York well supplied at reasonable figures. The demand of the dealers is for $5 or $4 a ton more than the normal prices. If this assertion of a corner can be backed up, the chances are that a desperate effort will be made to break it. Personally, I may say that in some Jersey towns I know, the only coal to be bought is what is known as "pea," which is not very much larger than downright dust. There may be some holding back of anthracite by hoggish dealers, but I do not believe the yarn that there are hundreds of thousands of tons in trains along the railroads in New Jersey, waiting for famine prices. There are many fairy tales about coal scarcity which are the natural outcome of the situation, but the general impression is that dealers are behaving "square," as a rule.

Another Link With Past Is Gone.

The death of Charles B. Peet at his home in Plainfield, N. J., today breaks another link between the present and past commercial history of New York. Peet was the founder of the well-known clothing firm of Rogers, Peet & Co., and for many years was active in the business. He retired some time ago, and the head of the house now is Mr. Martin, who also is the owner and manager of the big apartment hotel at Broadway and Thirty-third street, the Martinique. Mr. Peet was one of the best-known men in the clothing trade, and was a prominent New Yorker, in his business years.

Race Alone Can Settle It.

E. E. Smathers, the Pittsburgh broker, is a much-talked-about man in horse circles in New York just now. He is the owner of the trotting wonder, Lord Derby, and everyone is wondering whether there will be a match arranged between this horse and Major Delmar, owned by Alta B. McDonald of Albany. It is understood tonight that the two great trotters will surely meet next year, best three heats in five for $50,000 a side. Major Delmar is believed by his owner to be able to show his heels to anything in the shape of horseflesh in the country. Mr. Smathers has a similar opinion about his Lord Derby, and there you are.

Fire Escapes Are Forgotten.

Notwithstanding that the law in New York strictly demands that fire escapes shall be attached to all apartment houses in numbers sufficient to insure safety—or supposed safety—to every one in the building, fatal fires are all too common here. This afternoon, in broad daylight, two fires broke out in apartment houses, several miles apart. Before the flames were subdued two women had jumped from high windows and scores of others were wild with fear. Such happenings make one doubt the efficacy of fire escapes and other means to protect occupants of apartment houses, in spite of the new tenement house law, and every other wise regulation in force.

Wheelman Kramer Beats Himself.

One glorious achievement must be credited to the six-day bicycle race this year. The world's record for the half-mile was broken this afternoon by Frank L. Kramer, professional cycling champion of the world. He did it in 54 1-5 seconds, beating his own record by 3-5 of a second. It is such a victory as this that makes one proud to live in the same age with the man that wears the laurels.

Store Objects to Blacklist.

As is to be expected, the rate cutting on books by some of the department stores here has brought certain publishers into the field to prevent the sale of copyright and other works at less than the publisher's price. One of the biggest department concerns in the city applied to the supreme court today for an injunction restraining two publishing associations from "black-listing" the firm and interfering with its sales of books at any price they saw fit to fix for their wares. The case is not decided yet. Meanwhile, most of the department stores in town are in a fight to beat their competitors in the size of their holiday book trade. It is a condition that prevails to some extent every Christmas season, but the battle is more desperate than usual this time.

Ax Is Out for Coroners.

It looks as if the coroner really will be abolished in New York before long. Those who think that a coroner is a relic of barbarism, useless and not ornamental, will see that a bill is prepared for introduction at Albany, and it may go through. The point made is that the coroner's action in a case serves no useful purpose, and is only a costly excrescence upon the body politic. The coroners that happen to be in office are highly indignant, naturally, and insist that they represent high civilization and are simply indispensable. Nevertheless as Massachusetts manages to get along without coroners, the chances are that New York will try it, whatever may be the consequences.

Firemen Must Be Fit as Fiddle.

Policemen and firemen in New York must prove their physical worthiness for work if they are to hold their jobs. Capt. Piper has had the police on the jump for weeks. Now comes Fire Commissioner Sturgis with an order that all firemen, from the chief down, must appear before the full board of medical examiners, that it may be determined whether the men are physically fit for their duties. If not, it is believed that the result of all this will be a reorganization of the fire department, which will throw out hundreds of the present force.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.

C. G. Grubb. W. W. Lawrence.
J. W. Hubbard. W. G. Cosin.
F. A. Ensign. W. A. Forrester.
J. B. Marshall. A. J. Barr.
J. E. Laughlin. Miss M. L. Barr.
E. Pitcairn. G. V. Willson.
J. D. Hallman. C. R. Montgomery.
J. R. McFarlane. C. J. Casper.

VENDOME.

T. Malley.

HERALD SQUARE.

H. P. Freed. Mrs. D. L. McKee.
Mrs. H. P. Freed. S. C. Childs.
C. W. Maus. J. H. Franklin.
D. L. McKee.

IMPERIAL.

H. Sidenberg. W. J. Tener.
A. Haute. H. S. Wilson.
F. M. Vanderveer. C. S. Jones.
C. H. Dixon.

HOLLAND.

F. B. Smith.

GILSEY.

D. A. Daly. C. B. Lanham.

EARLINGTON.

Miss R. B. Graver.

VICTORIA.

S. B. Goucher. F. N. Kondolf.

ALBEMARLE.

Mrs. J. E. Schwartz. Mrs. J. Moorhead, Jr.
J. L. Schwartz. Miss Moorhead.
J. Moorhead, Jr.

FIFTH AVENUE.

Mrs. R. J. Butz. N. P. Hyndman.
Mrs. M. M. Sloan. Mrs. S. G. Nimick

MANHATTAN.

J. B. Shea.

HOFFMAN.

W. B. Fite.

MURRAY HILL.

N. O. Long.

MORTON.

J. L. Brownlly.

ST. DENIS.

E. K. St. Julius. J. P. McTighe.

BROADWAY CENTRAL.

W. C. Bernardi.

ASTOR.

T. J. Keenan.

Good Advice.

From the Baltimore American.

Secretary Wilson gives good advice to American farmers when he tells them to make thorough and systematic study of foreign markets, so that they may be able to ship their products in the best way and to the places where they will command the highest prices. In this work the secretary proposes to aid the farmers, and will send experienced men to several of the most prominent foreign markets to note special conditions that may there prevail. In a limited way, if the funds of the department of agriculture permit—and they probably will—the work will be begun the forthcoming year, and can hardly fail of practical and beneficial results. The markets are nearly all open to American products, and the only question is how to put them to the best and most profitable use.

New Topic for the Barber.

From the Uniontown Genius.

George White, the barber, lost a good hat. Some one unknown went into his shop, got shaved and went out with George's fine hat, leaving his own, two sizes too small for Mr. White, and much less in value.

PERSONALS

"The china business of the United States is increasing yearly," said C. L. Newton, the representative of a large importing firm in Massachusetts, at Newell's hotel last night. "Germany is now sending to America a fine class of goods, and its artists are closely copying the French productions. This season the German goods have been placed on the market at about one-half the cost of the French or English importations."

Col. John J. Ward, chief clerk at Newell's hotel, after a service of seven years, has severed his connection with the house and has gone to his home in Philadelphia. After the first of the year he will locate in New York. J. F. Kilkearny has been appointed night clerk at this house.

Bruce Head, who was shot by Dr. Ellis Duncan at Greentree, was able to return to work on his books yesterday. A desk has been placed in his room. His mother will remain with him until after the holidays.

Ex-Judge James Gay Gordon, E. A. Van Valkenburg of Philadelphia and Col. Pratt, superintendent of the Carlisle Indian school, passed through the city to Wichita, Kas., last night.

Daniel Frohman, the theatrical manager of New York, has engaged a suite of rooms at the Hotel Lincoln, and will occupy them for a week, beginning on Saturday.

President Shaffer of the Amalgamated association returned yesterday from the meeting of the Civic Federation in New York.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby points:

Victoria—Robert Miller, Wellsville; W. J. Gelliland, Washington; C. E. Beetsler, Akron.

Newell's—F. E. Norris, Sharon; W. A. Kingsley, P. M. Wege, Youngstown; G. G. Mead, Marietta; M. Keating, Sistersville; Y. C. Miller, Sharpsville.

Duquesne—C. W. Brodhead, Uniontown; C. J. Little, Youngstown.

Henry—C. R. Phillips, Cleveland; George Eats, Marietta; A. Gibbes, Rochester.

Seventh Avenue—A. Shane, Warren, Pa.; A. C. Hammeker, Canton; W. C. Wilson, Erie; D. M. Earl, Sistersville; R. H. Moody, Fairmont.

Monongahela—James Kerr, Clearfield; J. W. Youngson, Clairton.

Lincoln—C. H. Taylor, Akron; H. H. Whitacre, Wellsville; Dr. W. F. Van Kirk, Grafton.

Anderson—J. E. O'Neil, Joseph Hansey, Dushore; G. W. Spalter, Fayette City.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Mrs. Barbara Kessler.

Mrs. Barbara Kessler, widow of Adam Kessler, died suddenly at her home, No. 1109 Rebecca avenue, Wilkinsburg, yesterday morning, of apoplexy, aged 70. She was apparently in her usual good health up to the hour of her death, having visited one of her daughters in Wilkinsburg the day previous. Mrs. Kessler was greatly beloved by a wide circle of friends. She is survived by six sons and three daughters, Joseph, a member of the Wilkinsburg police force; Adam, of Noblestown; Barney, of Boston, Pa.; John, of Elizabeth; Peter, of Wilkins township; Nicholas, of Wilkinsburg; Mrs. Elizabeth Leslie, of the East End; Mrs. Mary Burwick and Mrs. Anna Looper of Wilkinsburg. The funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Father A. A. Lambing, Friday morning, followed by interment at St. Mary's cemetery.

T. R. Veazey, M. D.

Dr. T. R. Veazey, the surgeon of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern at Milan, Ind., formerly of Beaver county, died yesterday morning at the Presbyterian hospital in Allegheny. He had been a sufferer from malarial fever for four or five weeks, and on the advice of his physicians was brought to Pennsylvania in hope that a change of climate and surroundings might prove beneficial. Dr. Veazey was a brother of W. W. Veazey of No. 122 South Diamond street, Allegheny, and of the Rev. J. H. Veazey, general agent for Westminster college at New Wilmington, Pa. Dr. Veazey will be buried from the home of his sister, Mrs. J. V. Scott, at New Scottdale, Pa., tomorrow at 10 a. m. The deceased is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Ida B. Cochran, of Charlestown, Ind.

Henry Z. Weber.

Word was received yesterday in Pittsburgh of the death of Henry Z. Weber, president of the Weber-Erickson Bunting Company, of No. 284 Fifth avenue, at Hot Springs, Ark., Tuesday night. His death was caused by heart disease. The attack came while Mr. Weber was sitting in the parlor of the Hotel Arlington. Mr. Weber was a native of Wheeling, where he was born 47 years ago. He was unmarried and resided with his sister, Mrs. A. C. Robertson, No. 22 Observatory avenue, Allegheny. Three weeks ago Mr. Weber, accompanied by John D. Armstrong, went west on a pleasure trip to continue until March. He was an official of the Keystone Gold & Copper Company and a director of the Century Gold Mining Company.

John R. Bridges.

Thomas Bridges of Homestead received word yesterday that his brother, John R. Bridges, died suddenly at his home in Chesterton, Ind., Tuesday night. The deceased was 58 years of age and was born in the old Bridges homestead, near the West Braddock bridge. He was well known to many of the old residents of Braddock and Homestead. Mr. Bridges is survived by a widow, three sons and three brothers, Thomas of Homestead, Hiram of Braddock and Frank of New Kensington. The body will be taken to Homestead for interment.

Henry Bennett.

Henry Bennett, 80 years old, a former glass manufacturer of Pittsburgh, died yesterday of old age at the home of his son, John S. Bennett, in Baldwin township. He retired from active business some years ago. The remains will be taken to Canonsburg for interment Saturday morning.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. Mary Phillips, one of the oldest residents of Washington, Pa., died yesterday, aged 90.

Prof. Gallavin W. Green, professor of mathematics of the Illinois Wesleyan university here, died yesterday at Bloomington, Ill., aged 45.

Mrs. Catherine Ludwick, 78 years old, wife of John Ludwick, is dead of paralysis at her home near McKeesport. Four children survive.

Perry Trumbull, well known throughout the United States as a chess player, and son of Lyman Trumbull, one of Chicago's pioneers, died yesterday, aged 81.

Mrs. Mary L. Bishop, 50 years old, widow of George W. Bishop, is dead at her home, No. 110 Forty-first street. She was a member of the John I. Nevin Circle No. 85, Ladies of the G. A. R. Six children survive.

Mrs. Annie V. Cavanaugh, 54 years old, widow of Thomas M. Cavanaugh, is dead at her home, No. 150 Forty-second street. She was a member of the Butler Street Methodist Episcopal church. Six children survive.

Mrs. Franska Inhoff, aged 82, died yesterday at the home of her son-in-law, Joseph Stock, No. 1418 Walnut street, McKeesport. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. Joseph Stock, Mrs. H. Lutz and Mrs. Joseph Miller, the last of Detroit. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow at St. Mary's Roman Catholic church, McKeesport.

James McKnight, a well-known ironworker of New Castle, Pa., is dead, aged 62.

That Suicide Clause.

From the Philadelphia Ledger.

The United States supreme court handed down a decision on Monday of great importance to insurance interests. The validity of the Missouri statute declaring that suicide shall not be a defense against the payment of an insurance policy was sustained. A clause in the contested policy provided that it should be void in case of suicide, "whether voluntary or involuntary, sane or insane." The decision affects many companies and settles a point in insurance law which has been in debate for years. The states are inclined to be imitative in matters of legislation, and the Missouri statute will probably be adopted in states where there is no such enactment.

Something to Remember.

From the Baltimore Herald.

It would be well for outsiders to remember that violent scenes in the French senate are not apt to have more serious results than some that have interested the upper house of the congress of the United States. American duellos are not in a logical position to taunt the French in this matter.

VENEZUELA AND HER TROUBLES

Obviously, the most promising thing for the allied creditors to do is to endeavor to put some personal pressure on Castro. It is highly unlikely that he, meaning Venezuela, owes them as much as they say he does, and as he in moments of need has acknowledged to doing. But there need be as little doubt that he owes more than he is willing to pay. The case is conspicuously one for a compromise. Considering the delicacy of the international situation it threatens, we should suppose that our own state department would gladly join the allies in putting such unofficial and informal personal pressure upon the president of our sister republic as should secure a fair compromise of the existing claims.—New York Times.

While the "shaking down" of Venezuela for liquidation of German and English debts by warships of those nations cannot conceivably excite more than an academic interest from the Washington viewpoint, we are not prepared to say that the same untroubled and complacent demeanor would be preserved if the relations of the United States to the other nations of the world were less favorable than happily at present they are. If, for instance, Germany's business now in hand chanced to be not a partnership affair, and if the naval progress of the world had left this nation 15 or 20 years behind Germany, there might be just a little ruffling of the outward and inward calm with which we look upon the course of Mr. Balfour and Kaiser Wilhelm toward President Castro.—New York Press.

England and Germany are within their international rights in the vigorous measures they are taking for the enforcement of their claims against Venezuela. Their justification for the delivery of the ultimatum as described in the dispatches cannot be challenged. The Venezuelan government has continuously disregarded its obligations and trifled with the repeated demands for settlement. There is every indication that England and Germany will keep within the limits of international law and will scrupulously respect the Monroe doctrine. And so long as they do we have no issue with them.—Philadelphia Press.

Germany and Great Britain have no occasion to anticipate outside interference so long as they commit no act of territorial aggression. But the presence of an American fleet in the West Indies will serve a good purpose if it causes the two European governments to act cautiously and with due regard to the rights of the Venezuelans.—Philadelphia North American.

So far as the situation has developed there is no ground for a suspicion that either England, Germany or France has a covert design in the foreshadowed seizure of Venezuelan ports. The United States will, therefore, preserve a neutral attitude toward all the powers concerned. The Monroe doctrine cannot be invoked to obstruct the collection of just demands against Venezuela or any other American country.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

No trouble of a serious character is in sight. Germany and Great Britain, which are acting in harmony with the Washington government, may have to seize a Venezuelan port, but no harm will be done if they do, while the chances are that President Castro, finding there is no help for it, will propose some kind of a settlement which the powers in interest will consider themselves justified in

DENIES THAT THE PLAN IS TO BLOCK THE WABASH

James McCrea Makes a Statement on the Increased Track Elevation.

WOULD NOT HURT ROUTE

Says by Placing Downward Grade on Allegheny Bridge Instead of Pittsburgh Track Same Level Could Be Had on North Side.

"The Pennsylvania railroad is not trying to block the plans of the Wabash in asking for an increased clearance at Duquesne way," was the statement made yesterday by James McCrea, first vice president of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, and a director of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Mr. McCrea gave in detail the proposed elevations of the two conflicting extensions, the one of the Wabash from Liberty street across the Allegheny river to connect with the Pittsburgh & Western tracks, and the other that of the Pennsylvania railroad down Duquesne way, where the freight track now in Liberty street is to be moved. He says that the Wabash can secure the desired elevation in Allegheny by having the down-grade from Liberty street on the bridge instead of on the elevated track between Liberty street and the river.

"So much has been said about the Pennsylvania Railroad Company desiring to block the Wabash, and so many criticisms made of the action of councils in forcing the Wabash to go higher at Duquesne way, that I think it is but fair to the railroad company and just to the councils to make a statement, based on the plans submitted to councils by the two companies and published in the newspapers," he said.

Necessity for Greater Clearance.

"The plan submitted to councils by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and published in the newspapers, shows in detail the proposed elevated structure in Duquesne way, the grades of which are necessarily adjusted to the proper clearances where the line crosses Sixth street, 15 feet; Fifth street, 15 feet; Fourth street, 15 feet, and Duquesne way 12 feet. This makes the elevation of the top of the rail on the Duquesne way line, at the point where it is crossed by the Wabash, 741 feet above tide level. The plan submitted by the Wabash shows the elevation of the base of their rail to be 755 feet above tide level, and, allowing three feet for the thickness of the floor system necessary to carry the tracks, makes the clearance between the bottom of the Wabash bridge and the top of the rail of the Duquesne way line the difference between 741 and 752 feet, or 11 feet—not sufficient to admit of the passage of an engine or a box car; but by making the clearance elevation 758 feet, as provided in the amendment to the ordinance, the clearance will be 17 feet—barely sufficient for an engine and car to pass under, but not sufficient to allow a brakeman to sit on the roof of a car and pass under the bridge without being struck. He will be forced to stoop or lie down.

"The Wabash claim—according to the statements quoted in the newspapers—that the amendment, requiring them to give this clearance, is an attempt to block their road. Let us see if this is true. An examination of their plan, filed with councils and published in the newspapers, shows that the elevation of the base of their rail at the north side of Liberty street is 763 feet above tide level, and at Duquesne way 755 feet, which means that they descend from Liberty street to Duquesne way, about 740 feet, at the rate of a little more than one foot to the 100.

Easy Grade for the Wabash.

"The amended elevation for the base of their rail at Duquesne way will be 761 feet instead of 755, making the descent from Liberty street to Duquesne way about two feet in 740 feet. Their plan, as on file, shows a level grade across the Allegheny river, or in other words, the base of their rail on the Allegheny side of the river will be 755 feet, the same as at Duquesne way. Now, by using even a lighter grade on their bridge from Duquesne way to the north side of the Allegheny river than the plan shows they will reach the present proposed elevation of 755 feet at the north end of their bridge; in other words, the increased clearance given at Duquesne way does not affect the elevation of their track either at Liberty street or at the north end of their bridge; nor does it increase the ratio of grade used—merely transfers the grade from between Liberty street and Duquesne way to between Duquesne way and the north end of their bridge, which cannot in any way be objectionable, and requires a less gradient than is used (according to their plans) on their bridge over the Monongahela river.

"The facts being as stated, the conclusion cannot be reached that the Pennsylvania railroad is trying to block the plans of the Wabash in asking for an increased clearance at Duquesne way."

J. W. Patterson, chief engineer of the Wabash extension, said that he will make today a formal answer to Mr. McCrea's statement.

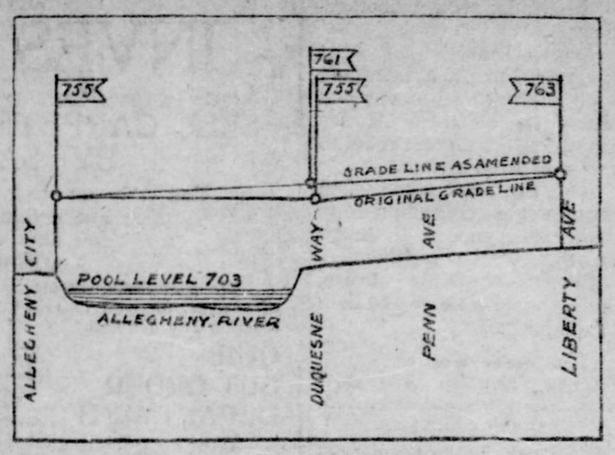

Diagram Showing the Change Required in the Wabash Tracks Across Duquesne Way and the Allegheny River.

ST LOUIS RAILROADS TO SPEND $50,000,000

ST. LOUIS, MO., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At a special meeting today at which all the railroads concerned were represented, the St. Louis Terminal Railroad association voted to increase the capital stock from $12,000,000 to $50,000,000, the money to be derived from the sale of new stock to be used in extensive improvements of the association's property in the acquisition of local roads belting the city and in paying for property and real estate that has been and is being acquired to enable the terminal association to more adequately handle the increased business due to the world's fair boom.

Mrs. Roosevelt Sent a Handkerchief.

Received too late for the donation day, the handkerchief which Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt sent to Mrs. Henry Jackson, chairman of the donation day committee of the Infants Home and Maternity Retreat, will be raffled. The occasion probably will be at Carnegie Music hall the last of the month. The proceeds of the raffle will be used to buy coal for the new home and each ticket, which costs 10 cents, will represent the price of one bushel of coal.

HOT RETORT TO STONE BY GOVERNOR YATES

Illinois Executive Denies There Is Quarantine Against Keystone Cattle.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Dec. 10.—Gov. Yates of Illinois has sent a letter to Gov. Stone of Pennsylvania demanding a correction of the latter's criticism of Gov. Yates' action in quarantining the cattle of certain eastern states. The letter concludes as follows:

"I desire to say that as it appears to me it is your live stock board, and not mine, which has 'misled a governor, without proper effort to ascertain the facts'.

"The facts are that the proclamation in question, a copy of which I herewith inclose, does not quarantine against the cattle in the states of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, but simply against the states of Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

"The slightest examination by you or your live stock board of this proclamation would have satisfied you of this fact. The only requirement affecting cattle from your state or New York and New Jersey is the requirement that cattle must be accompanied by a certificate to the effect that they have not been within the quarantine states for the past 30 days.

"As a matter of course, the premises considered, I respectfully decline to withdraw my proclamation.

"I sincerely trust that you will do what you can to correct any misapprehension you may have caused by your widely-published letter, and to see that the correction is given as wide a publication as your letter."

HARRISBURG, Dec. 10.—Gov. Stone received today the letter from Gov. Yates of Illinois, demanding a correction of his recent note to the Illinois executive.

The governor has referred the communication to Dr. Leonard Pearson, state veterinarian and secretary of the Pennsylvania state live stock board, and will make no reply to Gov. Yates until after he has heard from Dr. Pearson.

LIVE WIRE EXPOSED

Minister Grasps It and Is Killed Instantly—Student at Drew Seminary.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Rev. George Leonard Lose of Bradenville, Pa., met death in the Hoyt Bowne dormitory at Drew seminary late last night by electricity. He took hold of an incandescent lamp and his hand came in contact with an exposed portion of the wire connecting with the lamp. Instantly he received a shock that hurled him to the floor.

When other persons ran to his assistance they found him dead. Mr. Lose was 26 years old. He was a student at the seminary.

FORAKER STIRS UP SOUTHERN VETERANS

Confederates Decline to Forget Ohioan's Famous Rebel Flag Telegram.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 10.—A resolution offered by Capt. James Dinkins extending thanks to Senator J. B. Foraker of Ohio for having presented to congress a bill appropriating $100,000 for the marking of the graves of all confederates who died in northern prisons will precipitate a lively row at the next meeting of the Louisiana division of the army of Tennessee.

Capt. Dickins offered the resolution at a meeting of the association today, but it provoked the vehement opposition of Col. J. A. Chalaron, who said that from time to time, at the approach of elections, some northern politician gets up a scheme to throw a sop at the southern people, and this is one of the schemes for the sole purpose of enlisting the sympathies of the old confederates.

Col. Chalaron added that this same Foraker, when he was governor of Ohio, refused to return to confederate commands flags captured by Ohio regiments during the civil war.

He, therefore, moved to postpone the motion to the next meeting. Col. Clem L. Walker and others seconded the motion to postpone, so that it may be maturely considered.

All confederate camps are worked up. Some praise Foraker, others bitterly denounce him.

WHEELS. WHEELS.

Many Toys Have the Move in Them This Year.

Look through Campbell's toy department at "The People's Store," and count the playthings that have the go in them—horses on wheels, patrol wagons, express wagons, hay carts, go-carts, doll carriages, carts filled with blocks, tin toys, fire engines, hook and ladder trucks, railroad trains, engines, toys that wind up and go by clockwork, frictional toys, roller skates—verily this is a moving age. The children of the families who are trading at Campbell's this winter will not only have a merry Christmas, but a good time with their playthings, for many weeks after Christmas, for the toys at "The People's Store" are so strong and well made that they will last a long time.

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STRANGE SUICIDE OF FOND MOTHER

Mrs. Augusta Spregel of Allegheny Feared Coming of Christmas.

LEFT PECULIAR MESSAGE

Idolized Her Children, but Fearing She Could Not Dress Them Nice Enough She Took Carbolic Acid.

The tragic melo-drama, "For Her Children's Sake," was enacted in real life yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Augusta Spiegel of No. 21 Iten street, Allegheny, who committed suicide because she feared that she could not make her two babies comfortable at Christmas time. Mrs. Spiegel drank a quantity of carbolic acid, and when found at 6 o'clock last night by her husband, George Spiegel, was beyond the reach of medical aid. She died before a physician could be called.

The story of the woman's tragedy is told in the following letter which was written with a lead pencil on a piece of blotting paper, and left on a table where she sat when she drank the fatal potion:

"I write a few lines to my mother, for my children's sake, that she should take good care of them for me. I am tired of living. I will everything to her if she takes care of the children. I want my darling husband to live with her, and I hope this will soon make him follow me, as he wanted to do it one time, not long ago. George, keep the children dressed well, and think of me as long as you live. So goodbye to all. Take good care of the children and bury me as well as you can."

Mrs. Spiegel was 25 years of age and was the daughter of Mrs. Augusta Schnerrenberger, who lives in Iten street near the Spiegel home. Yesterday morning Mrs. Spiegel took her two children, one a girl of 2 years, and the other a child of 6 months, and went to her mother's house, where she remained for dinner. She left the children in her mother's care and walked down the street, presumably to buy the carbolic acid. She passed Policeman George Carothers and stopped a moment to talk to him, seeming to be in a cheerful mood.

It is not known at what time she returned. At 6 o'clock her husband went to his home, and finding the doors locked and the window shutters closed, went to Mrs. Schnarrenberger's house. Not finding his wife there he returned to his home and forced open a door. Mrs. Spiegel was lying on the floor in the sitting room. She was unconscious. Charles Busch, a neighbor, assisted in carrying the woman to her room and a physician was summoned, but she expired before he arrived.

Mrs. Schnarrenberger said her daughter worried constantly about her children. The babies were her idols and the woman's greatest pride was in having them gaily dressed. Spiegel was without employment last week and this fact, together with the approach of the holiday season, it is thought, unbalanced the fond mother's mind.

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DEATHS.

I SHOP—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at 7:20 a. m., MARY L. BISHOP, aged 50 years.

Funeral services at her late residence, No. 116 Forty-first street, on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family, Col. I. Nevin circle No. 85, G. A. R., Columbus council No. 39, Order of Americus and Protected Home Circle, are respectfully invited to attend.

BROWN—On Wednesday, December 10, 1902, at 2:20 p. m., at Asheville, N. C., of appendicitis, JAMES J. BROWN, husband of Gertrude Schoonmaker Brown, in his 60th year.

Notice of funeral later.

BENTZ—At Denver, Col., CHARLES F. W. BENTZ, late of San Francisco, Cal., brother of Mrs. J. C. Wright, East End, Pittsburgh.

Interment on Sunday, December 14, at Dayton, O.

DOUGHERTY—Entered into rest, on Wednesday, December 10, 1902, at the family residence, No. 6836 Frankstown avenue, WILLIAM J., only son of the late George L. and Eliza Love Dougherty.

Notice of funeral later.

JAMISON—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at 9:45 p. m., MRS. SABEENA WEISS, wife of Frank S. Jamison.

Funeral services on Friday, December 12, at 11 a. m., at her late residence, No. 93 Paul avenue, Monongahela borough. Interment private at Coraopolis, Pa., at a later hour.

LANG—On Monday, December 8, 1902, at 10:30 p. m., at his residence, Marshall avenue, near Linwood avenue, Allegheny, FREDERICK, husband of Agnes Lang (nee Schlatter), at the age of 67 years, 8 months, 10 days.

Funeral services at the house, on Thursday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock, and at German Evangelical St. Paul's church, corner First and East streets, Allegheny, at 3. Friends of the family, Lorena lodge No. 198, K. of P., Teutonia Mannerchor, Allegheny Turnverein, Second Independent Ladies' society and Weltershausen Ladies' society, are respectfully invited to attend.

METCALFE—On Wednesday, December 10, 1902, at 2:30 p. m., WILLIAM M'CLELLAND, only child of George H. and Fannie E. Metcalfe (nee Painter).

Funeral services at the family residence, No. 814 Amity street, Homestead, on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private later.

RYAND—Suddenly, on Monday, December 8, 1902, at Oil City, Pa., CYRUS D., eldest son of the late John Ryand, in his 53d year.

Funeral today at 2 p. m. from his late residence, Ryand farm, Venango county.

SOHN—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at 3 p. m., at his home, Sixth street extension, North Braddock borough, JACOB SOHN, JR., aged 31 years.

Funeral services at late residence on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend.

SPOERLEIN—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at 3:35 p. m., at the residence of his mother, No. 2228 Bedford avenue, ANTHONY, eldest son of Eva and the late Thomas Spoerlein, in his 28th year.

Interment private, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

TYLER—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at 9:30 p. m., at the residence of his son, Charles A. Tyler, No. 3415 Bates street, city, ALEXANDER TYLER.

Funeral services today at 2 p. m. Interment private at a later hour.

WEBER—On Tuesday, December 9, 1902, at Hot Springs, Ark., HENRY Z. WEBER.

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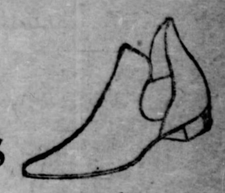

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Citizens City Committee Will at Least Discuss the Question Then.

NEW BODY ORGANIZED

Thomas S. Bigelow Was Elected Chairman—Tells the Committeemen What Kind of a Candidate Should Be Selected.

When the Citizens party city committee holds its second meeting Monday evening, a candidate for recorder may be nominated. Chairman T. S. Bigelow admits that there is a possibility of a nomination then, unless it is decided to defer action until after the meeting of the Democratic city committee, December 17. There are numerous reasons for believing that the Citizens leaders have agreed upon the man they will present for recorder.

The new city committee was organized at headquarters last night. The only absentee was Dr. Cadwalader Evans, of the Twenty-second ward. As the contest in the Thirty-second ward between Peter Soffel, Sr., and Albert Y. Smith has not been settled, the seat was vacant last night. The full committee, with this exception, follows:

1—C. C. Stix.	20—C. S. Crawford.
2—J. R. Brooks.	21—J. A. Blair.
3—J. W. Hedderich.	22—C. Evans.
4—John Marifr.	23—W. S. Haynes.
5—L. S. Levin.	24—D. B. Thomas.
6—W. B. Hays.	25—M. S. McDonald.
7—Samuel Shenkan.	26—T. R. Williams.
8—Wm. McKelvey.	27—Harry Moore.
9—J. J. Kirby.	28—David Yost.
10—Charles Riley.	29—H. S. Stranz.
11—Thos. D. Malone.	30—S. S. Barker.
12—A. W. Stewart.	31—Charles Thomas.
13—William Schempp.	32—Contested.
14—W. J. Moore.	33—C. Gallagher.
15—W. W. Callery.	34—Alex. Foster.
16—Jas. E. Kirkwood.	35—E. A. Miller.
17—Hugh Ferguson.	36—Hamilton Moore.
18—John Mellor.	37—F. M. Cuth.
19—Thos. S. Bigelow.	38—Fred. Fichtel.

Bigelow Elected Chairman.

The committee was called to order by C. S. Crawford, who named L. S. Levin for temporary chairman. T. S. Bigelow was unanimously selected chairman of the committee. James W. Clark of the Twentieth ward was chosen secretary, and by resolution was made a member ex-officio of the body. Dr. Cadwalader Evans was elected vice chairman and W. S. Hays is treasurer. C. S. Crawford was chosen attorney for the committee.

Mr. Crawford reported that the committee of 25 had held its final meeting in the afternoon and adjourned sine die. The body had decided that A. W. Stewart was entitled to the seat in the new committee from the Twelfth ward and that John Mellor was the member from the Eighteenth. The contest in the Thirty-second ward was passed over to the new committee for settlement. It was decided to leave the question to Dr. Evans, Hugh Ferguson and T. R. Williams. They will report Monday night.

Chairman Bigelow explained that the city committee is empowered to nominate a recorder. He suggested to the members that they should not be too hasty in making their selection, and thought it wise to defer action until Monday evening. In his opinion, the candidate should be an honest man, a representative citizen and one who has some knowledge of the management of municipal affairs, if it is possible to find such a person. He asked the committeemen to give the question careful thought so that they would be able to discuss the matter at the next meeting.

Bigelow Not a Candidate.

One of the committeemen said: "You are just the man, Mr. Bigelow."

"I would not accept the nomination," said Mr. Bigelow.

Another member thought that care should be exercised in the selection of the candidate to the end that a man satisfactory to the Democrats is chosen. It was decided that when the committee adjourned it would be to meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

After the meeting Mr. Bigelow said that, while possible that a recorder would be nominated Monday, he thought it might be better first to appoint a committee to confer with the Democrats. This will be the question for the committee to decide. Mr. Bigelow would not deny that the Citizens leaders have a pretty good idea of whom they will present for the recordership.

Before adjourning the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of five to draft a declaration of principles and a plan of organization. It was pointed out that a number of minor offices are to be filled in February, and a rule for nominating these candidates should be established. This committee is composed of Crawford, Evans, Levin, Blair and Fichtel.

The Citizens party organization in the Fifth ward last night offered its support to F. B. Reilly for alderman, who will oppose the re-election of John Downey. The men who five years ago elected Downey and defeated Reilly are now for the latter, and say that he will be elected.

M. O. COGGINS & CO. GET BIG MELON CONTRACT

Pittsburgh Firm Again Captures the Contract for Rocky Ford Output.

The largest annual fruit transaction made in the United States, whereby one distributor controls the business of the entire country, is that made with the federated associations of Rockyford cantaloupe growers. For the fourth time in succession this has been captured by a Pittsburgh firm. The business last season involved the handling of 340 carloads, of which 102 came to Pittsburgh, 166 went to New York, and the remainder to other large cities east and west. This represents a money value in conducting the business of about $300,000.

Every year the 1,200 growers of melons in the famous Rockyford district elect representatives who are empowered to contract with a distributing firm to handle the output of the valley. These delegates represent a number of minor associations, containing about 95 per cent of the growers, who are united in one organization known as the Federated Cantaloupe association of the Arkansas valley. The annual meeting was held on Tuesday of this week, at which time a number of competitors for the handling of the business were present. The successful bidders were M. O. Coggins & Co. of this city, whose success in the three years just past gave them prestige for securing the contract this year which could not be overcome.

The season opens on August 15 and lasts for about two months, during which time a representative of the distributing firm is constantly on the ground to oversee all shipments east and west.

The only fruit deal that approaches the Rockyford in importance is that of the Southern California fruit exchange, but that business, while larger, is handled through agencies in all the large cities instead of through one distributor. In proportion to its size Pittsburgh consumes more Rockyford melons than any other city of the country.

SOCIETY

THE Christmas holidays will be more than usually crowded this season with good things for the girls and boys home from school. A great deal of their interest, together with the interest of all Pittsburgh society, will be focused about Duquesne garden, where a series of important collegiate hockey events will take place. Yale and Princeton will be to the front during the week following Christmas and before the hockey teams have left town the Yale Glee club will come for its annual concert in Carnegie Music hall.

The Princeton hockey team will be the first to arrive, and will play on Friday and Saturday evenings, December 26 and 27. The next week the Yale team will come and will play on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, December 31, and January 1, 2 and 3. The Yale Glee club concert is announced for Thursday evening, January 1, and altogether the alumni of the two colleges will rule the town. The collegiate hockey games are always the signal for many skating parties among the younger people, while all the boxes will be occupied each evening, many having been engaged ahead. The coming of the Yale Glee club in the middle of the Yale hockey engagement adds must to the social festivities which will mark the holiday season. Mr. and Mrs. James I. Kay will give a dance at the Pittsburgh Golf club on January 1 for their debutante daughter, Miss Louise Kay, and among the guests will be a number of the Yale men in the city at that time.

The holiday season is filled with pleasant announcements for the school and college girls and boys. The Christmas week entertainments will open with Mr. and Mrs. George C. Burgwin's ball for their daughter, Miss Anne Burgwin, at the Pittsburgh club. The special festivities for the younger school set, however, will really commence with the dance which Mrs. Murry A. Verner will give on Tuesday evening, December 23, for Miss Sarah Verner Lloyd and Alexander Lewis Verner. On Christmas night Mr. and Mrs. William Metcalf, Jr., will give a ball at the Hotel Schenley for their debutante sister, Miss Ethel Cassidy. Mrs. Henry King will give a dance on Friday evening in the South Highland auditorium for her daughter, Miss Winnifred King, and the school girls and boys. Other holiday events for the same young people will include Mrs. John R. Greggs' dance on Saturday evening, December 27; Mrs. Albert J. Barr's dance for the school friends of her two sons, the same evening; Mrs. George H. Singer's dance on Monday evening, December 29; Mrs. Charles A. Painter's dance at the Allegheny County Club for Miss Mary Painter on Tuesday evening, December 30; Mrs. W. E. Pollard's dance the same night at the South Highland auditorium; Miss Mary McKee's dance on December 30 at the Schenley for Miss Ethel Byram and Christian McKee Dravo; the annual dance of the Delta Phi society of the Shadyside academy on Wednesday evening, December 31; Mrs. W. S. Huselton's dance for her daughter, Miss Florence H. Huselton, the same night; Mr. and Mrs. John Pontefract's dinner dance January 1 for their debutante daughter, Miss Jeannette Pontefract; Mr. and Mrs. James I. Kay's dance on January 1 at the Pittsburgh Golf club; Mr. and Mrs. James Wood Friend's dance January 2 for thir daughter, Miss Rebekah Friend; Mrs. H. D. W. English's dance the same evening and Mrs. Frederic G. Kay's theater party on January 9.

Miss Alberta Harper's Debut.

Miss Alberta Harper made her bow to society yesterday afternoon at the tea which her mother, Mrs. John A. Harper, gave at their home in Cliff street. The hours were from 4 until 6. The reception and tea was one of the smartest given this season and throughout the house the taste and ingenuity of the hostess were displayed in the beauty and unique character of her decorations and entire appointments.

Mrs. Harper and her debutante daughter received together in the drawing room and assisting them were Mrs. George C. Burgwin, Mrs. William N. Frew, Mrs. William J. Holland, Mrs. William G. Hawkins, Mrs. Henry C. Bugtman, Mrs. John G. Holmes, Mrs. J. Macburg Hays, Mrs. Frank J. Hearne, Mrs. Benjamin Thaw, Mrs. James I. Kay, Mrs. Persifor F. Smith, Mrs. James B. Oliver, Mrs. William McCandless, Mrs. William Blair, Miss Mary L. Jackson, Miss Kate C. McKnight, Miss Elizabeth Mitchell, Miss Louise Magee, Miss Beatrice Hawkins, Miss Laura Smith, Miss Belle Scott, Miss Sallie Hill, Miss Rebekah Friend, Miss Elizabeth M. Sellers, Miss Alice Pennock, Miss Ethel Cassidy, Miss Louise Kay, Miss Emma Humbird, Miss Margaret Johnston, Miss Eva Lippa, Miss Sara Verner Lloyd, Miss Eleanor DuPuy, Miss Amy DuPuy, Miss Ethel Byram and her guest, Miss Katherine Paige of Taunton, Mass.; Miss Jeannette Lupton and her house guest, Miss Adelaide Burton; Miss Emma Humbird and her friend, Miss Florence Smith, and Miss Edna Brooks, who is visiting Miss Harper.

The decorations were exceedingly beautiful, the debutante's bouquets occupying the drawing room, and green and crimson, palms and ferns with poinsetta and roses, decorating the hall and library. In the dining room the decorations were novel. A row of miniature orange trees occupied the center of the long table, while violets were gracefully arranged upon the table. The form of the orange appeared in the ices and bon-bons.

Joseph—Hirsch.

At the Concordia club last evening the marriage of Miss Gertrude Joseph, daughter of Meyer Joseph, and Leo Henry Hirsch of New York was solemnized. The ceremony was performed in the brilliant ballroom by Rabbi J. Leonard Levy. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Hetty Joseph, and Samuel Fisher of New York was best man. The ushers were Jesse S. Joseph, Boston; Sigmund Joseph, Allegheny; Leon Goldfrank, New York; Leo Harttman, Philadelphia; Samuel M. Wyler, New York, and Harvey S. Strassburger, Allegheny.

The bridal party entered the ballroom through a broad aisle bordered by white silk ropes supported on brass standards. The decorations were entirely in green and white, consisting of tropical plants and white roses. The bride wore a gown of white chiffon trimmed with duchess lace, and a veil. Her bouquet consisted of white orchids, lilies of the valley and white gardenias. The maid of honor also wore white chiffon and carried a bouquet of maiden hair ferns tied with a long chiffon scarf.

After the ceremony supper was served in the dining room, the bride's table, a large round one, being surrounded by a dozen smaller ones at which the guests were seated. Each table held a centerpiece of white roses and maiden hair ferns, while the candles were prettily shaded in white and green. Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch left last evening on the wedding trip. They will make their home in New York city. Among the guests who came on for the wedding were the father and mother of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch of New York; Mrs. Julius Hirsch, Mrs. Lee Melerhoff, Miss Sophie Hirsch, Miss Dolly Hirsch and Miss Selma Hirsch, all of New York; Al Berney of Baltimore and Al Heyman of New York.

Entertainments Next Week.

Friday afternoon Mrs. George H. Stengel will entertain at cards.

Next Tuesday afternoon Mrs. George Wilmer Martin will give a palm party, at which Mrs. J. Stewart Lacock, a recent bride, will be the guest of honor.

Mrs. Thomas J. Blair will be hostess on Thursday at a large reception which she will give in honor of two house guests whom she will entertain next week.

Mrs. Harry Fisher will entertain the card club of which she is a member next Monday evening at her home in Point Breeze. Several guests not members of the club will be in attendance.

A comic costume party will be given in the South Highland auditorium next Wednesday evening, the guests including the subscribers to a series of private dances given at the auditorium this winter by a number of well-known East End and Shadyside people.

Other entertainments for next week already announced include Mrs. John Fremont Shaffer's musicale on Monday afternoon; Mrs. Mortimer Miller's tea at the Schenley on Monday to introduce her daughter, Miss Rachel Miller; the Misses McKay's luncheon on Tuesday for Miss Rachel Miller and Miss Ethel Cassidy; Mrs. John Eaton and Mrs. Louis Brown's evening card parties on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings; Miss Hegeman's card party on Wednesday for Miss Anne Burgwin; Mr. and Mrs. William S. Kuhn's theater party on Wednesday evening for Miss Burgwin, Miss Rae Winters and Miss Elizabeth Sellers, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kuhn's ball on Friday evening at the Pittsburgh club for their debutante sister, Miss Sallie Hill; Mrs. Emanuel Queen's luncheon on Saturday for Miss Rachel Miller and Miss Rebecca Jennings, and Mrs. Wallace P. Bache's reception that afternoon at the Schenley, when her daughter, Miss Sara Louise Bache, will make her debut.

Mothers' Day at the Academy.

Mother's day was observed yesterday afternoon at the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy in Fifth avenue, Oakland. The exercises were conducted by the children in the kindergarten and were pretty and interesting. There were drills, songs and recitations by the children. The little ones were very enthusiastic and the exercises were conducted with much spirit. A song of welcome was sung by them and was followed by a conversation between several of the children which was very sprightly. "The Soldier Boy," a game, was conducted by Finn Feeney, Kenneth Felix, Homer Straub, Theodore Paisley, Deveaux Norton, James Murphy, Tom Staley, Jack O'Reilly, John Dobbins, James Church, Francis McNally, Ronald Schmuck and Sterling Linderman. The recitation, "The Four-Leaved Clover," was very prettily given by a number of little girls, including Mary Murphy, Marie McSwigan, Hilda Bernard, Olive Caldwell, Helen McKenna, Frances Compass, Isabel Kirk, Gladys Felix, Pauline Staley and Elsie Schwartz.

A beautiful scarf drill was given by some of the little girls with pleasing effect. Miss Marcella Callery, Margaret Barry, Florence Feeney, Edith Owens, Annette Perley, Alphonsine Maljean, Frances McEvoy, Mary Kirk, Gertrude Smith, Marion O'Brien and Louise Gorman were the little girls who appeared in the drill. A dumbbell drill by the boys was very well done. In it appeared Chester Felix, Flinn Feeney, Charles Norton, Leroy Whitehouse, Freddie Avery, Erwin Dean, Homer Straub, John Kelly, Sennott Orr, Karl Huth and Bartley Campbell. A recitation, "Forget-me-not," by several little girls, and "A Little Girl's Questions," a recitation, completed the program.

The art work of the students in ceramics and aquarelles this year at the academy will be placed on exhibition in the studio.

Hall—McGrann.

Miss Amy Penn-Gaskill Hall, daughter of Col. Peter Penn-Gaskill Hall of Philadelphia, was married yesterday at noon to Richard McGrann of Lancaster in the archepiscopal residence at Philadelphia by His Grace Archbishop Ryan. Miss Hall, who was given away by her father, was unattended. Kennett Kingsbury of New York was best man. Only the immediate families of the bride and bridegroom witnessed the ceremony, after which Mr. and Mrs. McGrann left for New York, and will sail later on the Oceanic for Europe, where they will pass the winter. The bride wore a traveling gown of broadcloth, under the jacket of which was worn a blouse of Irish lace. With it she wore a stylish hat formed entirely of marrabout feathers. Her ornaments were a diamond pendant and pin, both gifts of the bridegroom. Miss Hall is the daughter of Col. Peter Penn-Gaskill Hall, a member of one of the most distinguished American families, and a direct descendant of William Penn. Mr. McGrann is a graduate of Princeton college and a member of the Markham club.

Neale—Atkinson.

Miss Janet Lillian Neale of Allegheny and A. Grier Atkinson of Vandergrift were married last evening at the home of the bride's aunt at 8 o'clock, the marriage ceremony having been performed by the Rev. Z. M. Silbaught of the Methodist Episcopal church. Only a few relatives and friends were in attendance, because of recent bereavement in the bride's family. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Martha Neale of Freeport, and her brother, S. F. Neale of this city, was best man. The bride wore white crepe de chine trimmed with duchess lace. Her maid of honor wore white silk. The ceremony was followed by the wedding supper and late in the evening the bride and bridegroom went to Vandergrift, where they will be at home to their friends after January 1.

Annual Holiday Dance.

The annual holiday dance of the Iroquois club will be held at the Highland auditorium on Wednesday evening, December 31. The custom of the club for some years has been to give this reception in honor of the college boys who will at that time return from their respective schools. Extensive preparations are already on foot and invitations will be issued in a few days.

Miss Susan E. Blow's Lectures.

Miss Susan E. Blow, the greatest representative of the kindergarten movement in America, arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday morning. She will give a series of five lectures on "The Kindergarten" to the students of the Kindergarten college, and all paid teachers in the Pittsburgh and Allegheny public school kindergartens, at Carnegie Lecture hall, on December 10, 12, 15, 17 and 19, at 2:30 p. m.

This is the fourth year that Miss Blow has lectured before the kindergartens of the two cities. Miss Blow has proved a strong stimulus to the college, and the value of the work she has done with the students cannot be overestimated. She will return in April to be present at the International Kindergarten union, which meets in Pittsburgh April 15, 16 and 17, 1903. Miss Blow lectures in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Pittsburgh.

The Kindergarten association, knowing that one great stimulus to teachers is the opportunity of comparing their work with others, has sent Miss Ruth Boyce, of the Osceola school kindergarten, Miss Florence Young of the Friendship school kindergarten, and Miss Mary Scharberg of the Sixth ward (Allegheny) kindergarten, to Boston for a month's visit. While there Miss Laura E. Fisher, supervisor of Boston kindergartens, is giving them the opportunity to witness the best work in the Boston schools.

A Masquerade Ball.

A masquerade ball was held last night at the Keystone Bicycle club in Howe street, which was a large and elaborate affair. The club house was handsomely decorated, there were over 200 people in attendance and the costumes worn represented almost every period during the last 1900 years. Many of the ladies wore the stiff brocades and silks of the French Renaissance, others appeared in English costumes of the Queen Anne period, while still others wore the artistic dress of the colonial period in America. Some of the men appeared as cavaliers from different countries and several appeared as caricatures of well-known people. Into this company of dancers one of the guests, in the costume of the "White Wing," slipped, and in a remarkably immaculate white suit pushed his little cart in the interim between the dances. At 11 o'clock the dancers unmasked and supper was served. Dancing was resumed after supper.

Schweizer—Half.

Because of the illness of the bridegroom's father the wedding of Miss Millie Schweizer and Rudolph Half was very quietly solemnized at the home of the groom, 1125 Euclid avenue, last evening at 5:30. It was witnessed only by the immediate family. The wedding was to have taken place today in Cyclorama hall, Allegheny.

New England Church Supper.

The women of the First Congregational church, Manhattan and Franklin streets, Allegheny, will give a New England supper this evening in the lecture room of the church, from 6 o'clock until 9. Large committees have been appointed to take charge of the arrangements and will be assisted by the youngest girls at the tables. The reception committee will include the Rev. Thomas Clayton and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Suloff, Mr. and Mrs. Ablett, Mr. and Mrs. Adams and William M. Jones.

Will Wed Today.

Last evening the rehearsal for the wedding tonight of Miss Bess Torrence and William E. DuBarry was held. The wedding will take place this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's father, David R. Torrence, in Baum street, East End. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. R. J. Coster, principal of the Bishop Bowman institute. The bride will be attended by two matrons of honor, her sister, Mrs. Franklin R. Kenney, a bride of last April, and by Mrs. D. Gregg McKee. Miss Alice Torrence will be the maid of honor. Dudley DuBarry will be best man.

Rev. J. T. Pender Will Lecture.

Tomorrow evening the Rev. J. T. Pender of the Homewood Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, will lecture in the church on "Fuss and Fun of a Preacher." The Rev. Mr. Pedner is one of the noted lecturers of the Methodist church, and his experiences in the south just after the war will be highly interesting. The lecture is under the auspices of the Epworth League, and the proceeds will be devoted to the church debt.

Meetings of the Clubs.

Interesting women's club meetings were conducted yesterday afternoon, the New Era club meeting in the assembly room of the Central Young Women's Christian association and discussing education and philanthropy, while Sorosis held its regular meeting at the Hotel Schenley.

Luncheon in Shadyside.

Mrs. Harvey Childs, Jr., gave a very pretty luncheon yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Coffin of New Haven, Conn., who is visiting Mrs. Winfield K. Shiras.

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Ribbon roses and violets, for bodice wear and hair ornaments made to order.

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WOMAN'S CORNER

One of the mistakes of woman kind is in not knowing how to eat. If a man is not to be fed when she is, she thinks a cup of tea or anything handy good enough. If she needs to save money she does it at the butcher's cost. If she is busy, she will not waste time in eating. If she is unhappy she goes without food. A man eats if the undertaker interrupts; and he is right.

Women Should Learn to Eat.

A woman will choose ice-cream instead of beefsteak, and a man will not. Another of her mistakes is in not knowing how to rest. If she is tired, she may sit down, but she will darn stockings, crochet shawls, embroider dollies. She doesn't know that hard work tires. If she is exhausted, she will write letters or figure her accounts. She would laugh at you if you hinted that reading or writing could fail to rest her. All over the country women's hospitals flourish because women do not know how to rest. Another mistake on the list, is their constant worrying. Worry and hurry are their enemies, and yet they hug them to their bosoms.

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A daily bath in cold or tepid water is an indispensable aid in keeping the skin of the body in good condition. The complexion also very often suffers from insufficient washing in pure water or, for preference, in rain water. It is impossible for those of us who live in large towns to keep the complexion quite as blooming and healthy as the inhabitants of country districts, but more care might be frequently taken to wash off the smuts that help to clog the pores of the skin or the fine dust that covers the epidermis like a mass after a long day out, or in any case, before going to bed. Use hot rain water if it be possible to procure it with two or three spoonfuls of oatmeal thrown in to soften the water. Next proceed to thoroughly massage the face with some good soap and a firm sponge; then rinse the skin in another basin of cold water, into which has been poured a few drops of eau-de-cologne or alcohol, finally rubbing into the face and neck a little lanoline or cold cream.

Daily Bath Necessary.

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"Have you never noticed that women who have small pimples and blackheads always have them much worse on the right than on the left side of the face? Well, you just take note of it and you will find it is always so. That is, unless the woman happens to be left-handed. Now, the cause of it is that these little blackheads and germs are greatly increased in the skin of the face by contact with our fingers. Our fingers are constantly gathering up all sorts of little invisible germs because they are touching so many things all the time, and to finger the cheek or face at any time, except just after washing the hands and getting them medically clean, is apt to poison and irritate it.

Hands Off.

"A drop of carbolic in the hot water at night destroys all these little germs and also serves to keep the skin thin and delicate."

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By the way, to change the subject gently, have you heard of the new method of making scrawny necks plump? No longer need the skinny maiden waste her money buying transparent gulmpes of spangled chiffon at goodness knows how much a yard and renewing them every other time she goes out. She can now go frankly decollete without even a neck-lace if she will only follow the new treatment. This consists in having injections of olive oil by means of a hypodermic needle in the hollow parts. This speedily feeds the tissues. It is a well known trick of dishonest horse dealers, and I suppose the idea was taken from them.

Scrawny Necks Made Plump.

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Every room in the house should be well ventilated, but the bedroom should be especially well ventilated, but the orifices at which air is admitted should be well above the level of the head of a person occupying the room.

Bedroom Ventilation.

The current of inflowing air, in fact, should be directed towards the ceiling, for air admitted near the ceiling very soon ceases to exist as a distinct current, and will be found at a very short distance from the inlet to have mingled with the general mass of the air, and therefore attained the temperature of the room, partly owing to the larger mass of air in the room with which the inflowing current mingles, partly to the action of gravity in cases where the inflowing air is colder than the air in the room.

It may be regarded as an axiom in ventilating and warming that the feet be kept warm and the head cool. Those who complain of being tired in the morning should look into this matter at once.

The tired feeling may be due to an overweight of bed clothing, to overexertion during the day, to indigestion caused by taking too late a meal, or to poor ventilation of the sleeping-room. If there is another room to which you can retire, try what a change of sleeping apartment will do. Many people can sleep better at the top of the house than on the first floor.

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Lillie M. Dickey	Allegheny
Albert G. Atkinson	Vandergrift
Janett L. Neale	Allegheny
William W. Grosset	Homestead
Katherine B. McLean	Buena Vista
Frank P. Simmons	Pittsburgh
Mary R. Buttlar	Greentree P. O.
Adam Johnston	White Ash P. O.
Clara Bevan	White Ash P. O.
Thomas M. Canning	Calmerville
Alta F. Wood	Lewis
H. C. Washabaugh	Carnegie
Della F. Doak	Washington
Harry Leopold	Pittsburgh
Jennie McDonough	Pittsburgh
Alex Hoffmeister	Braddock
Mary Buck	McKeesport
Victor C. McNott	Avenmore
Ivy F. Johnston	Saltsburg
H. E. Brown	Fayette County
Grace L. Adams	Fayette County
Axel Tideman	McKeesport
Clara Lundberg	McKeesport
George W. Eagan	Braddock
Kate Martin	Braddock
Abel Randour	McDonald
Helen Foutnere	McDonald
Jessie H. Price	Homestead
Mary K. Thompson	Pittsburgh
Albert Kotsch	Wilkinsburg
Ida M. Betler	Wilkinsburg
James Ellis	Pittsburgh
Fannie E. Grant	Pittsburgh
John Leibeck	Pittsburgh
Katherine Gerling	Pittsburgh

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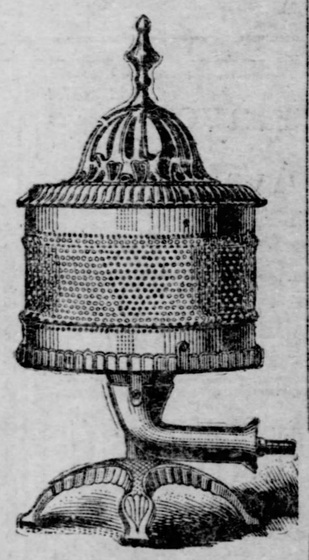

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LIBERTY AVENUE HAS FINE FUTURE

Will Be the Finest Street if Not Defaced by Elevated Road.

PUSHING THE PROTEST

Owners and Tenants Will Meet to Prepare Appeal to Councils. Improvements Contemplated When Tracks Are Removed.

A meeting of the committee appointed to present the protest against the projected elevated railroads in Liberty avenue was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Augustus Hartje, to complete plans to bring the matter before councils. The committee is not ready to divulge its plans. A meeting of the property holders and tenants will be called soon and within a fortnight the chamber of commerce will take action in opposition to the elevated system.

A canvass is being made of all the improvements planned by Liberty avenue property owners and a report of these will be made to the joint committee on corporations of councils. The report will show that at least $25,000,000 will be spent in the erection of fine buildings in that thoroughfare between the Point and the Union station. If an elevated road is built nearly all of this work will be abandoned.

"Liberty avenue is destined to rival Fifth avenue as a retail section," said a member of the committee. "When the Pennsylvania railroad removes its tracks no thoroughfare in the city will be as free to traffic, and it will be the main artery of travel as well as an ideal shopping district. No street in Pittsburgh offers a better environment for fine buildings, and if the elevated road is kept away the day is not distant when it will present a magnificent appearance, and, as a great highway, will excel Broadway in New York. New hotels, theaters, banks and retail houses will be erected there. The Young Men's Christian association intends to erect a splendid new home extending along Seventh street from its present quarters to Liberty avenue. More than $600,000 will be spent."

"I am firmly opposed to the destruction of the finest downtown street by erecting an elevated railroad," said Councilman Joseph C. Wasson of the Twentieth ward. "I realize as well as anyone that something must be done to relieve the congestion of street car traffic. The underground system is the solution of the problem, and while the first expense will be heavy, the running expenses would be comparatively small. In the downtown section the company need have no fear of water. The underground railway in London runs over a mile and a half under the Thames river, and I failed to see any signs of water seeping through when I rode on the line. My voice and vote will be recorded against placing an elevated track in Liberty avenue, if the matter reaches councils while I am a member of that body."

SEEKS DEATH BY FIRE.

Bedridden Woman in Philadelphia Overturns Oil Stove in Effort to Commit Suicide.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—In a vain effort to end her life of suffering from disease, Mrs. Kate Mack, a woman of three-score years, deliberately overturned a lighted oil stove at her home, No. 1732 North Ninth street, this morning, with the purpose of incinerating herself in the fire that followed. Women who were in the house, in rescuing the frenzied woman, frustrated her plans and saved her from a horrible death.

Mrs. Mack has been an invalid for several months, dropsy having prevented her from leaving her room. During the last two weeks she has been bedridden and has suffered much physical and mental anguish. Her suffering affected her mind, and from a bright, cheerful woman she grew despondent and peevish. She declares she will yet commit suicide.

LAFAYETTE STOPPED THERE.

Historic Colonial Building Is to Be Reconstructed.

YORK, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—One of the few colonial structures in York which retains its original appearance is the Smith mansion, adjoining St. Mary's Catholic church. The ancient house has passed into the hands of Harry George, a contractor, and it will be completely modernized.

Early in 1825, when the Marquis Lafayette paid his first visit to York he stopped at this old house which was then occupied by a family of his acquaintance. When Lafayette left York it was to journey to Harrisburg to meet the Pennsylvania lagislature. On his return he again stopped at York and was banqueted here.

RAILROAD BLOCK.

Wreck Forced B. & O. to Use P. & L. E. Tracks.

By the wrecking of 10 loaded coke cars at Smithton, on the Pittsburgh division near McKeesport, at 8:40 a. m., yesterday, both tracks of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad were torn up for 1,000 feet and the whole business of the railroad was transacted for a short distance over the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, which parallels the Baltimore & Ohio at that point. The transfer of trains was made at Dexter.

It is thought that either one of the cars broke down and wrecked the others or that a broken rail caused the damage. No one was hurt. The tracks are expected to be open for traffic again this morning.

MORTGAGE FOR MILLION.

Trolley Line Gives Big Security to Pay for Bonds.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A mortgage for $1,100,000 was placed on record in the Westmoreland county court this afternoon. The parties to the instrument are the Pittsburgh & Allegheny Railway Company and the Public Trust Company of Pittsburgh. The railway company is gridironing the Allegheny valley with a trolley system and all of the electric light plants in the district have been purchased. The company has issued bonds to the amount of $1,100,000, and to secure the trust company gave a mortgage on its property in this and Armstrong county.

16-YEAR OLD GIRL GUILTY OF BURGLARY

LISBON, O., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Mary Starke, aged 16 years, was today given the minimum sentence for burglary, five years in the penitentiary. Judge Hole and Prosecutor Brookes will make an effort to have Gov. Nash exercise his prerogative and commit her to the Girls' Industrial school at Delaware. Her crime was committed in East Liverpool.

Bought a Railroad.

INDIANA, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—James Kerr of Clearfield has purchased the Hooverhurst & Southwestern railroad from W. L. Hoover for $68,500. The road is nine miles in length and is used as a lumber road. The new owner represents the New York Central, which is planning to extend its road from Rossiter to Homer City or Indiana.

NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS AND COUNTRY

STATE INSTRUCTORS ARE INCOMPETENT

President of Pennsylvania Dairy Union Makes This Charge in Public.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

HARRISBURG, Dec. 10.—"The most of the alleged instructors are cheap fellows who tell some stories, or tell how to care for the front yard or not to eat pie or fried potatoes, or that the farmer is the lord of creation, and how nicely he should live."

This remark was made by W. F. McSparran of Furniss, president of the Pennsylvania Dairy union, at today's session, in commenting on the alleged incompetency of the lectures furnished to farmers' institutes in Pennsylvania by the state department of agriculture. Mr. McSparran quoted statistics from a speech of one of these instructors which he proved were far from accurate.

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Martin, director of the institutes, strenuously denied that the instructors were incompetent. To avoid further discussion on the subject the meeting adjourned at the conclusion of Mr. Martin's remarks.

Fifty prominent dairymen from all parts of the state attended the meeting. Secretary of Agriculture Hamilton made the address of welcome. Dairy and Food Commissioner Cope described the methods by which dealers of impure and imitation dairy products are detected.

At the evening session the Pennsylvania Live Stock Breeders' association held a joint session with the dairymen. Papers were read by several members on agricultural topics. Resolutions were adopted pledging the support of the allied agricultural organizations of Pennsylvania to secure an appropriation of $50,000 by the next legislature for a dairy building at the Pennsylvania State college.

ROBBER GETS LIFE TERM.

Severe Sentence Imposed on Burglar Whose Pal Gets 50 Years by Pleading Guilty.

ELYRIA, O., Dec. 10.—The trial of Thomas Gallagher, alias James Casey, one of the burglars who was shot during the attempt to rob the home of the Meach brothers, near Rochester, October 13, was brought to an abrupt ending today when the prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge against him. He was at once sentenced to serve 50 years in the penitentiary.

Owen McCabe, alias William Davis, another member of the gang, was sentenced at the same time to life imprisonment. This is said to be the first life sentence for such a crime in the history of the state.

Groom Did Not Come.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A sensation has been caused in the vicinity of Harlansburg, this county, by the sudden termination of plans for a wedding and the subsequent arrest of the young man who was to have been the groom. The guests had gathered, the preacher was ready to pronounce the marriage ceremony, but the groom did not come. The disappointed young woman is Miss Clara Minteer. The intended groom is Mont Emery. He is in jail on charges preferred against him by Miss Minteer.

Leave orders for home dressed poultry, fish and oysters with Levenson Bros., Fulton Market, 615 Fifth avenue, city.
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VALENTIN Y ESCOBEDO.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Valentin Rogelio y Escobedo is the name of a young Cuban boy who will some time be heard from in the business world of Cuba. He is now in Youngstown receiving his preliminary education for a business life.

Several months ago W. H. Park of this city, who is a member of the syndicate which is building the Havana & Jaiminatis railroad in Cuba and is also connected with several large land deals, saw the boy. He became interested in him and finally persuaded his mother to allow him to be brought to the United States to be educated.

The lad, when he came here, could not speak English. He is now in a private school and talks English fairly well. He has become interested in football and other American sports.

The boy was one of the reconcentrados during the Spanish rule. He tells of his experiences (although he was but a baby) in excited Spanish when he is talked to about them.

CLAIMS TO KNOW BURGLARS.

Pittsburgh Detective Agency Offers to Run Down Safe Blowers.

IRWIN, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Local detectives, railroad detectives and those of the company which insures against bank burglary are still after the men who did the job here Tuesday morning. Up to this evening all clues followed have been fruitless. A Pittsburgh private detective agency today offered its service for a consideration, saying it knows the gang and they could run them down in a few hours. The safe in the bank was opened this evening. The force of the explosion damaged the interior more than the outside. Many of the bills were torn in fragments.

MRS. KILLEN'S FATE IN HUSBAND'S HANDS

Declaration of Love for Murdered Man May Be Dangerous for Her.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 10.—From George Killen, who killed Louis Ernette, the county officials must learn the part his wife, nee Minnie Roche, is supposed to have played in the crime if they would prove her an accessory before the fact. Last night, when told that her husband now believed that she had married Lou Ernette during his term of service in the Philippines and that he no longer loved her, she answered:

"Let me talk to George Killen for just 10 minutes and I will not only convince him that I was faithful to him while he was in the regular army, but I will also win back his love if it has been lost to me."

When Killen returned from the Philippines it is stated that neighbors asked Mrs. Killen whether she intended telling him of her marriage with Lou Ernette, and that she replied: "I haven't told him and never will. The fool will never know it and if he does it won't make much difference, as I can easily persuade him that you people are lying about me."

Mrs. Killen is becoming more worried each day. Last night as she was being "sweated" by Detective Joy she turned to a stenographer and said: "Do you think that will hang me? What do people think about me?"

Attorney Charles D. Copeland has been engaged by Mrs. Killen to look after her interests in the habeas corpus proceedings to be heard next Tuesday. District Attorney Cunningham will ask for the detention of the three suspects—Mrs. Killen and her brothers, Thomas and Joseph Roche.

Personal.

Mr. Wesley W. Wattles, formerly with Sheaffer & Lloyd, begs to inform his friends that he is now associated with the Hardy & Hayes Co., Nos. 215-215 Fifth avenue, where he will be pleased to see them and serve them as usual

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RIGHT IS IN DISPUTE.

Question Raised Whether Savings Banks and Trust Companies Can Establish Branch Offices.

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.—Bank Commissioner Reeder has referred to Attorney General Elkin for an opinion the question as to the right of saving banks and trust companies to establish branch offices. Elkin's decision will apply to all banking institutions under the jurisdiction of the state department of banking.

The matter was brought to Elkin's attention today at a conference at which there were present Gen. Reeder, C. Stuart Patterson of Philadelphia, representing the Western Savings Fund society of Philadelphia, and Lyman D. Gilbert of Harrisburg, counsel for the Colonial Trust Company of Philadelphia.

Postmaster's Farewell Banquet.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—John B. Brown, chairman of the Lawrence county Republican committee, has issued invitations for a banquet next Friday afternoon for the Republican leaders of the county. Chairman Brown retires at the end of this month from the New Castle postmastership, which he has held for the past six years. He will leave shortly for California for the benefit of his health.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Alfred Stambaugh, aged 22, was found dead in his bed this morning, asphyxiated from the fumes of a gas stove.

STEUBENVILLE, O.—John E. Kromes began suit against the La Belle iron works for $25,000 damages for injuries sustained by the breaking of a scaffold.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Norman T. Allen, a conductor on the Lake Shore, while at work in the yards, fell in front of an engine. His head was severed from his body.

STEUBENVILLE, O.—School boys, hunting west of the city, found the body of a man 60 years of age, lying frozen in a small swamp. There is evidence of foul play. The man is unidentified.

SHARON, PA.—Thomas Reilly, who was burned by molten metal at the Sharon steel works several days ago, died at the hospital today. His was the fourth death resulting from the accident.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Rev. Jonathan Saver, D. D., of New Stanton, one of the most prominent members of the Pittsburgh Lutheran synod, has received a call to the pastorate at Delmo. He has not yet decided whether he will accept the call.

WELLSVILLE, O.—Frank Connor, bartender, met with a probably fatal accident this morning. He went into a darkened room at the rear of the saloon and struck a match. A terrific explosion followed, the room being filled with gas that had escaped from a jet carelessly left open.

WASHINGTON, PA.—Negotiations are under way for the purchase of a block of valuable coal land in Sommerset township, in the eastern part of Washington county, containing 1,000 acres. The prospective purchaser is the Pittsburgh Coal Company. The price offered for the land is $350,000.

Letters from Women

Cured by the use of Kodol are received daily. Their troubles nearly all begin with indigestion or other stomach disorder.

If the food you eat fails to give strength to your body, it is because the juices secreted by the stomach and digestive organs are inadequate to transform the nutrient properties of the food into blood. That is indigestion. The system is deprived of the amount of nourishment required to keep up the strength, and the result is that one or more of the delicate organs gradually grows weak, and then weaker, until finally it is diseased. Here a great mistake is made. That of treating the diseased organ. The best doctors in the land make this very mistake. Why should they? It is so easy to see that the trouble is not there.

Kodol Cures

This famous remedy puts the stomach and digestive organs in a healthy condition so that rich, red blood is sent coursing through the veins and arteries of every muscle, tissue and fiber throughout every organ of the entire body, and by Nature's law of health, full strength and vigor is soon restored to each.

Kodol cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach disorders.

I have taken Kodol for nearly two months after each meal and it is the only remedy that gave relief from the terrible pains I endured. After a time I would take it but once a day, and now, while I keep a bottle handy I seldom need it, as it has cured me.
MRS. J. W. COOLBAUGH, Milo Center, N. Y.

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For 52 Years the Dentifrice of Quality
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Women who find it difficult to do their housework, who drag about their home with hardly energy enough to lift a broom, who are all tired out; who ache, are lame, languid and distressed, will find in "Blood Wine" a medicine whose peculiar strength-giving properties make it impossible for these all too common ills to exist. A great many women neglect themselves, and disease follows. "Blood Wine" should be on the kitchen shelf of every home. If taken when one enjoys good health it will keep one from getting out of order. If taken after disease has fastened itself upon the system it will quickly throw it off. Mrs. Elizabeth Marsh of 22 Isabella St., Boston, Mass., owes her present good health to "Blood Wine," though she almost died before she got hold of the medicine. She says:

"I suffered for years with a general run-down condition, due to a bad condition of the blood, which produced a type of dyspepsia. I had at times pains that almost drove me wild, and that left me with scarcely strength enough to get around. A friend one day, to whom I was telling my story, asked me to try 'Blood Wine,' as it had done her so much good. So I did. I began with small doses and increased as I improved. I soon got so I could eat bread and milk. I continued with the medicine until I had taken several bottles and was entirely cured. Now I eat anything, am strong, healthy and happy, and attribute it all to 'Blood Wine.'"

Womb afflictions, periodical sufferings and the general lassitude resulting will quickly disappear when the blood is properly treated. It provides nourishment and strength and brings about a natural condition in all the organs. Mrs. Bertha Sanborn of 50 Germaine St., Boston, will testify to that. Her experiences are as follows:

"Your 'Blood Wine' has done more for me than I could express in a letter. I have been subject to womb trouble all my life, and have taken all sorts of treatment for it without getting permanent relief until I took 'Blood Wine.' I am only too glad to recommend it."

It also cured the mother of Mrs. Howard Warren of 143 Main St., Concord, N. H. She is a woman over 90. The powerful action of "Blood Wine" in the blood creates normal action and drives off disease. Mrs. Warren's experience illustrates this. She says:

"I have used 'Blood Wine' for both myself and my mother, who is now quite old, and have found it an invaluable remedy for colds and coughs, as well as a phenomenal stimulant for the blood and nerves. It quickly overcomes any irritation of the throat or lungs, and seems to be the ideal medicine for aged people."

Nearly all diseases have their origin in the blood. It is foolish and a waste of time and money to try and cure them without removing the cause. If you want to be cured, to say cured, to get your system in a thoroughly healthy condition, you can do it with "Blood Wine," because "Blood Wine" removes the cause. "Blood Wine" costs fifty cents a bottle.

FREE BLOOD TEST.

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Buy a New Dress for That Christmas Gift.

There's nothing more rich or beautiful—we have yet to meet the lady who does not think a nice Dress Pattern acceptable. Our Dress Goods Dept. is piled high with some of the most beautiful goods that ever left the weaver's loom. Probably a

Jacket, Coat or Wrap

might be more needed. We have an abundant selection that we are selling below regular prices to close out just now, when they are needed most.

Carpets, Rugs or Curtains Make Lasting Christmas Gifts.

We sell more Fine Carpets than you would ever dream of. It's the quality and prices that bring people here from far and near. They are surprised at the high character of our Carpets and the Low Prices. We have treated our customers fair and we owe our success to the public confidence this store enjoys. This is unquestionably the cheapest store in which to buy Christmas Rugs—whether it be the ordinary grade or one of those Rich Royal Wiltons. Prices on Holiday Lace Curtains range from 65c up to very finest. They are much appreciated for presents. It will pay you to come here for Portieres also.

Handkerchiefs for Gifts.

This department will be a strong feature here this season. We bought heavily and expect the biggest Handkerchief business this store ever enjoyed. Prices are more attractive than ever, and the Handkerchiefs marvelous for beauty.

In addition to the above staple Christmas Goods we have a

Vast Collection of Christmas Articles.

Something for everybody. On our center table, first floor, will be found the newest things in Mechanical Toys, daintiest Dressed Dolls, Manicure, Toilet, Shaving, Smokers' and Dresser Sets, Jewel Cases, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Work Boxes and Baskets, Games, Purses, Chatelaine Bags, Books and all kinds of Gloves. To enumerate all would fill a book. Come, bring the children.

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Immense stocks, so you will be suited and get what you want.

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New 1903 Embroidered Shantung Pongee Silk Waist Patterns, $6 and $7.

New Shantung Dress Patterns—semi-made skirts—$17.50 to $35.00.

Double width $1.50 44-inch Liberty Silk Crepe for Evening Gowns and Scarfs, $1 a yard.

25 and $30.00 Ecru Lace Robes for Ball Gowns, $18.00.

30-inch Black Broadtail Velours for Coats, $3 a yard.

Dollar 50-inch Knickerbocker Suitings—five different color effects, 65c

Sale—56-inch Golf or Plaid back woolens—Dollar ones, 50c—$3.50 ones $2, and so on.

Black 51-inch 65c Wide Wale Cheviot, 50c.

New stock White, Black and White, White and Colors Winter Weight Cotton Vestings, 50c and 65c.

Fine Satine covered $4.50 Down Comforts, $3.50.

Imported Jacquard Slumber Robes, $1.25.

3 and $3.25 hand embroidered Thread Silk Stockings—conventional and floral designs, $2.00 a pair.

Ladies' fine mannish Cape Kid Gloves of exceptional merit, $1.50.

Men's extra fine Prix Seam Cape Kid Gloves—cadet and regular sizes—crow's foot back, $1.50.

Surpassing collection of Men's Smoking Jackets priced $5.

The latest fifty Copyright Books, $1.08 each.

Quadruple Silver Plate Mirror, Comb and Brush in White Satin lined box, $4.50.

Superior values in Irish Pointe Lace Curtains, $5.00 a pair.

Luxurious Sable Fox Boas, $8.50 each.

Fifty magnificent Hudson Bay and Russian Sable Neck Scarfs, $50.00 and higher.

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ARBITRATION IS THE SOLUTION

Civic Federation Thoroughly Discusses the Labor Question.

M. M. GARLAND TALKS

Former President of Amalgamated Association Says Employers and Employes Can Settle Their Differences Among Themselves

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The annual conference of the industrial department of the National Civic Federation, which has been in session for three days, was brought to a close today. Interest to the last was unabated, the hall being crowded to its utmost capacity. The final subject of discussion was "Industrial Agreements," in which many of the most prominent delegates took part.

While no definite results were reached, the executive committee being empowered to appoint a special committee to review and report on all the subjects discussed, it was the generally expressed opinion of the delegates that the conference had been a great success. Semi-annual meetings will be held in future.

Owing to the late arrival of Senator Hanna the committee was called to order with Archbishop Ireland occupying the chair.

Secretary Ralph M. Easley read a paper by Frederick D. Underwood, president of the Erie railroad, who had expected to be present, but was unavoidably detained. On the question of arbitration Mr. Underwood said to make it a success disinterested arbitrators must be chosen by parties to the dispute. It was also necessary to eradicate from the minds of the workingman the idea that his employer wishes to take petty advantage of him.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking of the claim that the unions should be incorporated, said that the suggestion was made for the purpose of affording an opportunity to mulct the unions in damages. One of the greatest complaints, he believed, organized labor has against employers of labor is the refusal of many employers to meet and discuss their grievances with the men.

C. C. Barber, president of the Diamond Match Company, declared the present high standards among workmen in this country are not due to the labor unions, but to men in all branches of business who have aimed at high standards.

M. M. Garland, former president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, said:

"You may talk of these agreements, but to my thinking there is but one way. It is necessary for the employers and the laborers to get together as one family and to thresh out their differences." He favored the piece work system and shorter hours, but not pensions for old age.

Chairman Hanna, in closing the discussion, declared himself opposed to the claim that labor unions should be incorporated. Regarding the work of the Civic Federation, he said:

"For myself, I feel greatly encouraged by the renewed public interest in this great question and by the interest of those who have been present with us here."

He did not expect, he said, any great results at once, but the committee would continue to work; would increase its personnel and would keep up with or a little ahead of public opinion. He declared himself opposed to compulsory arbitration. The solution of the labor problem, he declared, would result from the conference of employers and employes with the one desire to do what is best for both.

The committee went into executive session and elected the following officers for next year: Senator Marcus A. Hanna, chairman; Oscar S. Strauss, first vice president; Samuel Gompers, second vice president; Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer, and Ralph M. Easley, general secretary.

SOUNDED KEYNOTE OF RECIPROCITY

Tariff Adjustment Favored by Delegates to Detroit Convention.

A VOICE FROM CANADA

John Charlton Thinks the Dominion Is on the Same Footing as States of the Union—Governor Cummins Talks.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

DETROIT, Dec. 10.—Reciprocity between the United States and Canada was the keynote of the speeches tonight at the dinner tendered the delegates to the national reciprocity convention, by the Detroit chamber of commerce, and the arguments in favor of it presented by the Hon. John Charlton, member of the Canadian parliament, and Campbell Shaw of Buffalo, were enthusiastically received by the 300 men who were present.

The afternoon session of the conference was given over to the address by Gov. A. B. Cummins of Iowa on "Reciprocity and the Tariff." He was given careful and close attention throughout his address. Several of the western delegates professed to see much between the lines of the governor's remarks in his courteous criticism of those who sit silent while believing in reciprocity.

The Hon. John Charlton said: "Can any sound argument be urged in favor of ending the system of free trade that exists between all the states of the American union and substituting for it tariffs and restrictions upon trade between the various states or between groups of states? If no such argument can be advanced, can it be shown that the policy governing trade between the various states of the American union is not one that can be applied with the same satisfactory results to trade between states of the American union and provinces of the Canadian dominion? Provinces inhabited by the same race, with substantially the same institutions and with ethic, geographical and business affinities with the great republic quite as strong as those existing between the various groups of states in that country.

"If it can be shown that free trade between the American states is a good thing and that the same natural and economic laws would govern trade between the American states and the Canadian provinces, is it not a fitting and commendable task for the statesmen of the two countries to seek for an adjustment of trade relations of a more friendly and mutually advantageous character than those now in force?"

Gov. Cummins said: "There is a spirit abroad in some quarters which condemns a reciprocal treaty, without regard to the advantage it tenders, if it be found that any home industry, however insignificant, may be injuriously affected by it. If this spirit is to continue and to prevail, reciprocity may as well be at once abandoned and the country left to choose between the unalterable schedules of the highest possible protective tariff and the disastrous consequences of absolute free trade.

"Little or nothing can be accomplished until we are willing to approach tariff schedules in precisely the same spirit that we approach any other subject of legislation. So long as the controlling minds of congress insist that the welfare of the country demands that the tariff be let alone, there is no hope for practical or substantial reciprocity.

"There are many ardent advocates for reciprocity who believe that tariff schedules should be changed only through reciprocal treaties. I am not one of them. It seems to me manifest that a prerequisite to any material or important reciprocal tariff is a willingness to adjust, whenever fairly required, our exclusive tariff to the conditions of the times. Reciprocity will never win its way until we shall be willing to treat the tariff rationally instead of hysterically; and the first step in the process is to be willing to make such changes as may be necessary to bring tariff schedules into harmony with the principle which vindicates their existence."

MINERS BRIBED TO BREAK STRIKE

Commission Hears Important Testimony in Anthracite Dispute.

WANTED UNION VOTES

Mine Foreman Is Said to Have Offered $2,500 and Good Positions If Members Would Pass Resolution to Return to Work.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 10.—The most interesting if not most important testimony brought out at today's session of the coal strike commission was to the effect that an alleged attempt was made by a former mine foreman to bribe two presidents of local unions of the miners to have 10 men in each local use their influence to have a resolution passed sending the men to work, thus making a serious break in the solid ranks of the strikers. Each of the presidents was to receive $2,500 and a good position as mine foremen and each of the 10 men were to get from $100 to $200 each. The name of no company was mentioned in connection with the bribery scheme and none of the lawyers cross-examined the witnesses.

John Early, a check weighman employed at the Gypsy Grove colliery of the Erie Company, who was president of the Gypsy Grove local, said he was introduced to a former mine foreman named Michael Crimes. Early and a miner named O'Hara were each offered $2,500 to get 10 men to pass a resolution ordering the men from the two locals, which they rejected, back to work.

The large coal companies have taken notice of the testimony which has been presented against the Coxe and Markle companies. During the afternoon session David Willcox, vice president of the Delaware & Hudson and general counsel for the company, addressed the commission and protested vigorously against the commission holding his company responsible for conditions that may exist at the Coxe or Markle mines. He was quickly stopped by Chairman Gray, who said that the commission did not intend to hold any company responsible for whatever special conditions may exist in other parts of the coal field.

While none of the attorneys for the other coal carrying roads said anything to the commission they stated privately that Mr. Willcox's attitude in the matter had their indorsement.

Two check weighmen produced figures which tended to show that at two of the Delaware and Hudson collieries the miners produced 116,839 tons of coal more than they were paid for. The miners must bring up 2,136 pounds of coal and dirt to make a ton of 2,240 pounds of pure coal, and the union claims that the company gets more than 2,240 pounds of coal out of each "miners" ton of 3,150, and produced official figures to prove it.

The Delaware and Hudson company presented its figures to the commission today, they being the first certificated statistics to be handed in. They show the average earnings of the miner in 1901 to have been $672 68, and his laborer $429 47. When Mr. Mitchell was on the stand he said that $600 should be the minimum of American living wages.

"Familiar in their mouths as household words"
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It is much for a firm to have so gained the confidence of a people that its name like that of

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FIRE STARTS PANIC IN SOUBRETTE ROW

Stage Women Save Their Pets but Lose All Their Clothing.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.

Two big fires occurred within a short distance of each other this afternoon. For one three alarms were sent in, and for the other the signal known as "two nines" was sounded. This called out all the engines and hook and ladder companies this side of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

The fire which started first occurred in the fashionable apartment house known as "The Antoinette," in Fifty-eighth street between Madison and Park avenues, and although it was thought at first that some lives were lost, it is not believed that such was the case.

The Sixty-fifth street fire was the more serious. Nos. 16 and 18, just west of Central Park west, were totally destroyed. Mrs. Mary Parker and Mrs. Lillian Cleveland, who lived on the third floor of No. 18, jumped from the third story. Mrs. Cleveland was not badly injured, but Mrs. Parker may be fatally injured internally. Both were taken to Roosevelt hospital.

The block is well inhabited by soubrettes and theatrical people, all of whom made hurried exits, in just what they happened to have on. Miss Indiola Arnold, of Mrs. Osborn's company, escaped from No. 14 with a knit undervest over her head and a mackintosh around her shoulders. Stage women saved their pets, but nothing else.

It will be impossible to tell positively before morning if any persons were burned to death.

LIGHT FOR MANY BOROUGHS.

Union Electric Company Planned for the Monongahela Valley.

The union municipal light plant to be owned and operated by the boroughs in the lower Monongahela and Turtle creek valleys is the latest scheme considered by councilmen who are attempting to secure electric light from a source other than the Allegheny County Light Company, which charges $70 per year for street arc lights and has threatened to advance the price.

The scheme, which will be placed before the councils of Homestead, Braddock, Duquesne, East Pittsburgh, Turtle Creek and other towns in that neighborhood, is to erect a large plant in a central location and conduct it on a co-operative basis.

DEATH ALWAYS NEAR.

Engineer Killed by a Piece of a Broken Flywheel.

John Fafoney, an engineer on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, was fatally injured by a broken flywheel yesterday morning while standing beside his locomotive in the McKees Rocks yard. The flywheel of a dynamo in an electric power plant burst. A fragment crashed through the side of the building and struck Fafoney, fracturing his skull. He was taken to the McKees Rocks hospital, where he died during the afternoon.

Fafoney was 49 years of age, married, and lived in Chartiers avenue, McKees Rocks.

McELVEEN'S
(McElveen Furniture Co.)

A Writing Desk as a Gift

Once more we recur to the subject of Writing Desks as gift articles. And once more the truth is forced on one's mind that it would be hard to find another article likely to prove as satisfactory.

A Writing Desk has several distinct advantages. First, it is attractive even if regarded as a mere piece of furniture. Second, it is always present to remind the recipient of the giver. And third, the practical utility of a Writing Desk is a constant reminder of the value of having a friend whose thoughtfulness is such as to inspire the giving of so useful a gift.

The application of these remarks is apparent. The Desk pictured above is a superb one, and if you have gifts to bestow on Christmas or at any other time, it will interest you to examine this beauty.

Made of golden oak or mahogany—47¾ inches wide, 27 inches deep and 49½ inches high—especially adapted for a gentleman's use. The interior is arranged much as that of an office desk, having pigeonhole boxes and drawers. The base shows two doors each hiding a series of drawers. The lid folds and slides back at the top. The front and sides are finely carved.

This Writing Desk is but one of the many instances which prove the advantages of buying furniture for all purposes at

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These are fair examples of the sterling qualities we manage to crowd into our medium priced goods. They're cheap in price only—in every other respect, they're "O. K." First, note the excellent materials that go into the making—vicunas, meltons, coverts, whipcords, kerseys, thibets, etc.—then examine HOW they're made—see the great care taken with even the smallest details—then look into the linings and trimmings—then try the garments on and observe the perfect fit, the graceful hang and swing. If you do this, you're bound to coincide with us that $15.00 can buy nothing better elsewhere.

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Extra fine and finest attire at 15.00 to 35.00

We invite comparison between these and the garments turned out by custom tailors at double the money. Made of equally fine imported woolens, cut by equally capable cutters and put together by equally skilled journeymen tailors, our overcoats are equally fine and fashionable. Should any slight alteration be necessary to make the garment conform perfectly to your figure, it will be made promptly and free of charge.

Extra special—today only:
$12 overcoats for 7.50

They come in black and blue kerseys, oxford and gray cheviots, meltons, oxford and brownish mixtures, etc.—cut in the fashionable short, medium and extra long styles, with slash pockets, new collar, lapels, etc. $12.00 is their real value, but the manufacturer made us such a big price concession that we can pass them on to you for only 7.50. Only 950 in the lot, so we can only guarantee to supply those who come today.

Big jacket sale

MATTERS looked pretty dark for a certain manufacturer. The backwardness of the season had forced him to extremities—beset by creditors for ready money, he was practically forced to accept our low price offer. He got a new lease of credit—we got the grandest lot of women's and misses' fashionable coats it has been our good fortune to secure in a long time.

The newest styles in Monte Carlo, kimona, box, fly front and tight-fitting coats. They are made from strictly all-wool kerseys, montagnacs, meltons, cheviots and zibelines. Cape effect—single or double inverted plait back or plain full back—strapped or fancy stitched, silk ornament trimmed—lined with best guaranteed linings. Colors include black, blue, castor, tan, green and brown.

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Suit Sale—Choice of some of our $15.00 and $18.00 suits, in the newest blouse, jacket or eton styles, good winter suits in cheviot, broadcloth and kersey; also walking suits in suitable materials, all sizes. 9.85

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SWEETMEATS and toys are not lasting Christmas presents, and especially for boys 6 to 16 years, more substantial gifts will please them more. We give just as much attention to pleasing the youngsters as we do to satisfying the "grown-ups" in style, fit and material.

Boys' suits—Blue and black heavy unfinished worsteds; also fancy cheviots in double breasted, sailor and Norfolk suits; sizes 3 to 16 years; would be good value for $3.50; sale price 2.00

Boys' overcoats—Nobby ¾ length box coats, stylish Peter Thompson reefers, fine automobile, juvenile and Russian overcoats, in sizes 2½ to 16; would be cheap at $5; sale price 3.50

Boys' overcoats—Fine dress overcoats in blue, black and oxford—fine all-wool frieze and rough cheviots; also nobby kersey and novelty cloth overcoats and rain coats; choice at this sale for 5.00

Boys' overcoats—Long, stylish oxford frieze—nobby heavy nap chinchilla and boucle reefers; also stylish novelty cloth and Russian style overcoats; in sizes 2½ to 16; very unusual value for 2.00

Boys' suits—Fine all-wool fancy cassimeres and cheviots, in 3-piece, double breasted, Norfolk, sailor and Russian blouse styles; sizes 3 to 16 years; well worth $5.00, reduced for today to 3.00

Boys' suits—Fine velvet or imported serge, in Russian blouse, sailor, the new Gibson style, nobby 3-piece, fine double breasted and Norfolk suits; sizes 2½ to 16; $7.50 values for 5.00

THE THREE RIVERS

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CINCINNATI, O. Dec. 10.—The stage of the river at 6 p. m. marked 19 feet and falling. The management of the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati Packet Company will, in the near future equip one of their boats with oil burners as an experiment for the generation of heat for power purposes. If the experiment is successful all the boats of the line will be turned into oil consumers. The towboats' movements today were: Up, Jos. Cook, J. B. Lewis, Mariner and Douglas Hall. Down, H. F. Frisbie, with a tow of coal for Cairo.

LOUISVILLE—River on stand; canal, 8.3 feet, falls, 6.1 feet; foot of locks, 17 feet.

MEMPHIS—The river here stands 19 feet on the gauge.

PADUCAH—Gauge today reads 17.6 feet and falling.

EVANSVILLE—River falling slowly, stands 14.8 feet.

CAIRO—The river marks 24.9 feet on the gauge tonight. The Exporter from upper Ohio passed below at 9:30 a. m. with a tow of coal.

MARIETTA—River 7.7 feet and falling. Wet. Up with empties, Jim Wood and J. C. Risher.

HUNTINGTON—River 13 feet 8 inches and falling.

WHEELING—River 7 feet 7 inches and stationary.

POINT PLEASANT—River 10 feet 2 inches and falling.

GREENSBORO—River 8 feet 11 inches and falling.

WARREN—River 1 foot 4 inches.

MAY BE A RISE.

Rivermen Looking for a Probable Coal-boat Stage This Week.

Rain was falling yesterday afternoon and last night at Rices landing, Greensboro and other points on the Monongahela river, as well as down the Ohio. The precipitation was not very heavy, but the rivermen are looking for a substantial rise. There is a good barge stage of water from Wheeling down.

Some of the boat owners were liberal enough last night to predict a coalboat stage of water in the Ohio river within 48 hours.

The Ohio is holding up remarkably well, considering the cold weather of the week, which is an encouraging feature.

Arrivals.

Queen City, Sanford, Cincinnati.

Departures.

Queen City, Cincinnati.

Packets Leaving Today.

Ben Hur, Parkersburg, 4 p. m.

News of the Rivers.

At 9 o'clock last night the marks at the Davis Island dam indicated a depth of 6.1 feet and the river was rising slowly.

The new towboat John F. Klein will be ready for steam in a few days.

Capt. Ira B. Huntington of Gallipolis, was in Pittsburgh yesterday and returned home last night on the Queen City.

The suit of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company against W. C. Jutte will be argued in court tomorrow.

The Queen City, leaving last night for Cincinnati, carried a fair shipment of freight. The Ben Hur was due in port last night.

Capt. Sterling McIntyre will go in command of the new City of Savannah, and Capt. Frank Norwood will go in command of the Sunshine.

The Pittsburgh & Cincinnati packet line will in a few days create a new office, that of traveling freight and passenger agent of the line.

In the United States court at Louisville a verdict of guilty was found against the Kanawha and Michigan Railway Company for obstructing the Kanawha river with a tie hoist at Point Pleasant. Motion was made to set aside the verdict.

The towboat Cruiser, W. W. O'Neil and Sam Brown, owned by the coal combine, are due with tows of empties and should be in port this morning.

According to a dispatch from Louisville, Capt. Edward Howard of Jeffersonville, Ind., has purchased the ways at Paducah, paying $40,000 for the plant, which will be closed.

Capt. Robert S. Oakes, who was convicted at Beaver Tuesday of felonious shooting, is liable to a fine of $1,000 and seven years' imprisonment, which is the maximum penalty for the offense.

The monthly report of traffic handled on the Monongahela river shows that there were 3,591 lockages up and 3,707 down. Coal was let down to the amount of 2,600,376 tons and up to the amount of 3,768 tons.

The towboat Volunteer will be inspected today. The boat has received a new hull at the Elizabeth marine ways. The Raymond Horner is on the ways there and a new hull is being built under the vessel.

Capt. W. L. Sibert who is in Morgantown inspecting government work, is expected home this morning. Capt. L. C. McCormick, who has charge of the repair work at dams 7, 8 and 9, was in the city yesterday.

The wrecks of several barges, which interfere in low water with the operation of the Southern Railroad incline above the Merchants bridge at St. Louis, are being removed with dynamite by the snagboat Wright.

Capt. E. B. Greibel, who has been in command of the towboat Eleanor, owned by the Clyde Coal Company, has resigned his position to accept command of one of the towboats owned by the Peoples Coal Company.

Among the visitors at the Jeffersonville (Ind.) shipyards this week is Capt. Lethe, general manager of the St. Louis & Keokuk Packet Company, who will witness the laying of the keel of a large new sidewheel steamer for his line.

The towboat Oakland, assisted by the G. W. Thomas, will arrive in port tonight with 19 empty coalboats and 7 barges. C. Jutte & Co., who own the boat, have 118 coalboats loaded with coal and this consignment of empties will add, when filled, to the already large stock afloat.

PLUMBERS' ELECTION.

Result of the All-Night Voting—Many Ballots Rejected.

It was almost daylight yesterday when the result of the annual election of officers of local union No. 27 of the Journeymen Plumbers' association was announced to the meeting in Old City hall. Many of the ballots were thrown out.

The following officers were elected: Edward F. Welsh, president; John Toole, vice president; Walter Ackley, treasurer; James P. Toole, recording secretary; L. J. Lawlor, financial secretary; D. J. Murto, assistant financial secretary; Steve Kenney, inside sentry; directors, Harry J. Connors, John Rodgers, John Driscoll, Charles Anderson and Martin Higgins. James J. McKee was elected business agent, beating his opponent by 164 votes.

Protecting Lafayette's Lion.

At the meeting of the Humane society yesterday it was decided to notify all humane societies of the country of the cruelty practiced by the "Great Lafayette," the conjurer, upon a lion in one of his acts, and the fact that he had been fined $20 and costs here. Letters and newspaper clippings bearing on the case will be sent to societies all over the country.

Mrs. Laura L. Barnes, Washington, D. C., Ladies Auxiliary to Burnside Post, No. 4, G. A. R., recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"In diseases that come to women only, as a rule, the doctor is called in, sometimes several doctors, but still matters go from bad to worse; but I have never known of a case of female weakness which was not helped when Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was used faithfully. For young women who are subject to headaches, backache, irregular or painful periods, and nervous attacks due to the severe strain on the system by some organic trouble, and for women of advanced years in the most trying time of life, it serves to correct every trouble and restore a healthy action of all organs of the body.

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GREAT EXHIBITION OF AUTOMOBILES IN FRANCE

International Show of Modern Locomotion Opened by President Loubet.

LARGE CROWD PRESENT

Herr Maybach, Father of Automobilism, Declares Improvement of Tires Will Make Machines a Great Factor.

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]
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PARIS, Dec. 11.—Modern locomotion was glorified yesterday in the Grand Palais des Champs Elysees with a fullness and brilliancy possible only in France. Never before has the extension of automobilism and the amazing growth of the automobile industry been shown forth with such completeness as it is in the fifth international exhibition of automobiles, organized under the auspices of the Automobile club of France, and fittingly opened, as a manifestation of French genius, enterprise, labor and progressiveness, by President Loubet.

The popularity of the annual event was sufficiently shown by the immense crowd that visited the Palais from about 3 o'clock until the closing hour. The wide alleys separating the rows of stands, and the stands themselves, were packed so densely with devotees of the automobile that an inspection of the machines exhibited was a difficulty and progress, save at a snail's pace, was an absolute impossibility.

After such a triumph the question inevitably arises, what further development is possible? To that question, the father of automobilism, Herr Maybach, whose inventive genius is allied with that of the famous Herr Daimler, who produced the original Daimler motor, which made the automobile possible and a mere question of mechanical contrivance, replied that, in his opinion, the next revolutionary change would be made in the tire.

"The general principle of engine and gearing," he said, "will remain unchanged, the alterations being mainly in the direction of perfecting of particulars in details; but the day that a tire shall be invented that shall render side-slipping impossible, that cannot be punctured by a sharp flint or nail, and that shall permit the same speed to be attained as is possible with the existing pneumatic tire, on that day the automobile will become a commercial factor of vast importance, for it will be utilized then in every form of road traffic and transport."

On the other hand M. Mors, the head of the great French firm, held that an ideal machine is still far from being a material realization, though he pointed to his new carburator, only eight days old, as representing a decided step toward the attainment of that ideal.

Every available inch of space in the immense building was utilized. Hundreds of would-be exhibitors were excluded. Although an immense crowd was present at 10 o'clock when the doors were opened, the formal opening did not occur until President Loubet visited the building later in the day. Among the Americans were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Watson, who have just purchased a fine high-power Mors; William Fleischmann and William Burden.

Diplomat Commits Suicide.

ROME, Dec. 10.—Signor Polasco, Italian minister at Sofia, committed suicide at Milan yesterday. He threw himself out of a window of a hotel. The minister had been suffering for some time from nervous debility.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

BIG NILE RESERVOIR AND DAM ARE OPENED

Khedive and Distinguished Britons Present at the Ceremonies.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

ASSOUAN, EGYPT, Dec. 10.—The great Nile reservoir and dam were opened today in the presence of the khedive, the duke and duchess of Connaught, Lord Cromer, the British agent and consul-general in Egypt, and Lady Cromer; the ministers and many other distinguished persons. The opening ceremony occurred in the afternoon, when the khedive turned a key which put the electrical machinery in motion, whereupon the sluice gates were opened and a great body of water rushed through them. The duchess of Connaught then laid the last stone of the dam, the foundation of which was laid by the duke of Connaught, February 12, 1899.

GUILTY OF INCITING MURDER OF OFFICER

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—Dennis Kilbride, a former member of parliament, was found guilty today at the Leinster assizes of inciting, in a speech, the murder of Maj. Gen. Meares of County Westmeath. The prisoner, who was recommended to mercy by the jury, was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment.

CHINA HAS POSITIONS FOR WISE AMERICANS

Post of "Foreign Adviser" in Shan Tung Province Offered to Prof Rowe.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Public Ledger Building.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.

Wu Ting Fang, late minister from China to this country, shortly before his departure for home about a month ago, offered to Prof. Leo S. Rowe of the University of Pennsylvania and until recently United States commissioner on codification of laws in Porto Rico, the post of foreign adviser in the province of Shan Tung. This province is located near Manchuria, where Russian, German and French activities have created an acute international political condition.

While averse to having the matter receive publicity, Prof. Rowe, in speaking of the offer made him, said:

"The Chinese government is desirous of securing men who are acquainted with European politics, and, through the ex-minister, Wu Ting Fang's, cordial relations with the university—he having received an honorary degree from it—the university is apt to be looked to for supplying men for various positions in China.

"The offer made to me to act as foreign adviser in Shan Tung was made in Washington six weeks ago and was declined. It is also the desire of the Chinese government, as I understand, to find professors here for their higher schools, and in this way to introduce foreign ideas in that country."

Important Witness Missing.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Officers are looking for William Murphy, who is badly wanted by the defense in the murder trial of George Dunkle, who is accused of killing Harvey Barge on Labor Day. Murphy was a witness. He has been missing since the defense attempted to subpoena him. Officers have received information that Murphy was in Youngstown last night. Dunkle's fate largely rests upon Murphy being found.

CAUSE FOR ALARM.

Catarrh's Danger Sign—Local Druggists Guarantee Hyomei Will Cure It.

There is no more common disease than catarrh, and there is none that is really more dangerous. It is weakening and debilitating to the whole system, and if allowed to run will in the end result in consumption.

The prevalence of catarrh can be readily realized by scanning the advertising columns of any paper. It is noticeable, though, that among the many medicines and treatments that are advertised to cure catarrh there is only one which is sold under the positive guarantee of reliable local dealers to refund the money if it does not cure—that is Hyomei, nature's remedy for the cure of catarrh.

No dangerous drugs are taken into the stomach when Hyomei is used. This remedy is breathed through a small pocket inhaler that comes with every Hyomei outfit. The balsamic fragrance of Hyomei penetrates to the most remote cells of the throat and lungs, kills the germs of catarrh, heals the irritated mucous membrane and gives complete and permanent cure.

Local druggists have sold hundreds of packages of Hyomei; every one under their personal guarantee to refund the money if it did not cure. Only two customers have asked for a refund. This record is something unusual in the annals of medicine. It demonstrates beyond question the remarkable powers of Hyomei to cure catarrh.

You should not delay taking advantage of this chance to obtain a remedy for catarrh under the "no cure, no pay" plan.

USED HER KNIFE IN SELF-DEFENSE

Mrs. Dora Lightner Tells on Stand How She Killed Lucy Wheeler.

COULD NOT GET AWAY

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 10.—Today fragile little Mrs. Dora Lightner told on the stand during her trial for murder how and why she killed pretty Lucy Wheeler.

On the evening of June 18 last, Mrs. Lightner, about supper time, dressed her children and went for a car ride, returning about 6 o'clock. She was sitting by her door rocking her baby to sleep, afraid to go out, she said, because of Lucy Wheeler's threats.

As Mr. Whalen, a neighbor, was down in front she went down and sat on the sidewalk with him. Lucy came out of her house, she said, walked up and down in front of them saying:

"There's going to be a prize fight tonight."

"She called me some awful names," said Mrs. Lightner, "but I didn't answer, but only made a kind of a 'hum.' Lucy then got mad and said:

"'I'll fix you tonight. I'll knock your brains out. Look out for a fight soon.'

"I asked Whalen to walk around with me, I was so scared, but he said he could not, so he gave me the knife that is in the court room, and told me to keep it and protect myself. I took the knife, put it in my pocket and went to my rooms. Everything was peaceful then. I asked Whalen where Frankie (that's my child) was, as I wanted to put him to bed. I went out to look for him. I passed down the gangway between the buildings, calling for Frankie.

"Just as I reached the sidewalk Lucy came running up and struck me a blow on the face. This staggered me and I fell against the building. Lucy came right up, grabbed me around the neck and commenced to choke me with her arms. I could not get away and I was so scared that I thought she was going to carry out her threats, so I pulled my knife and stabbed her.

"I had to do it; she would have killed me if I hadn't protected myself. She was a big, strong girl, much bigger than I, and I couldn't get away from her at all."

Lucy Wheeler received nearly 20 wounds. The knife was a table knife ground down to a point.

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BOSTON THREATENS ANOTHER TEA PARTY

Importers Hold Indignation Meeting Because 10 Cent Tax Is Imposed.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 10.—Immediately upon receipt of Secretary Shaw's tea tax ruling Boston importers held an indignation meeting, as, if the ruling was observed, ruin stared at many small dealers. A meeting of the importers resulted in the despatch of a delegation to Washington, and favorable action by congress is expected.

There are 1,500,000 pounds in bond here, and a tax of 10 cents a pound would mean a flat loss of $150,000. So the importers decided if the ruling is not revoked to ship all their stocks to Canada, at a central point in bond, and then reimport, thus avoiding the greater portion of the loss.

The tea business of Boston has reached great proportions, and Secretary Shaw's idea is condemned as varying from the intent of the law.

KEYS WERE REFUSED.

Election Commission Secures Ballot Boxes by Mandamus from the United States Court.

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 10.—The commission appointed to bring in the ballots of the last election, that they might be preserved for use in the contest instituted by Congressman William Connel against Congressman-elect George Howell, were today refused the keys to the boxes by Democratic County Commissioner John J. Durkin, and under authority of the alternative order, issued by Judge R. W. Archbald of the United States court, they proceeded to bring in the boxes.

Mr. Howell's attorneys applied for an injunction to the county court to restrain this action on the grounds that the federal court has no right to order a confiscation of the boxes, which are the property of the county. The application was refused and the boxes are being taken from the custody of the election officers and deposited with the local clerk of the United States court.

Railroad Officers Changed.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At the general offices of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company announcement was made of the resignation of Superintendent J. F. Boyd, who had filled the office since 1872. At the same time it was announced that Vice President M. C. Kennedy had been made general superintendent, and George W. Martin trainmaster of the Monongahela division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, with headquarters at Grafton, W. Va. Superintendent Boyd is made purchasing agent, the changes to take effect on January 1.

Buncoed Hotel Proprietors.

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—A stranger buncoed the two hotel proprietors at Saxonburg by threatening to charge them with violation of the liquor law, but agreed to refrain for a consideration. He told Mrs. Chris Raabe he would settle for $100. Mrs. Raabe offered him a check, which he refused. At Joseph Koenfolder's hotel he bluffed the proprietor into giving him $50 and then left town. The man represented himself to be a deputy United States marshal.

PENNYPACKER VISITS STONE

Governor-Elect Prepares for Four Years' Stay at the State Capital.

CABINET PAYS RESPECTS

Cordial Greeting for Attorney General Elkin—Executive Mansion Is Inspected—Judge Declines to Discuss Appointments.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 10.—Governor-elect and Mrs. Pennypacker spent today in Harrisburg as the guests of Governor and Mrs. Stone. During his visit the governor-elect received the state officials and employes who were in the city in the reception room at the executive department. To all he had a kindly word, his greeting to Secretary of Internal Affairs-elect Brown and Attorney General Elkin being especially cordial.

Judge Pennypacker said his visit had nothing to do with politics. He and his wife were here by invitation of the Stones to inspect the executive mansion and make plans for their stay after January 20, when he will be inaugurated. He declined to discuss the report that William B. Rodgers of Pittsburgh has been slated for attorney general and the various conflicting rumors as to the personnel of his cabinet.

Judge and Mrs. Pennypacker arrived from Philadelphia at 11:20 and were met at the Pennsylvania railroad station by Secretary to the Governor Gerwig. The visitors were driven in the governor's carriage to the executive mansion, where they were received by Governor and Mrs. Stone and shown all over the house.

At noon the governor-elect went to the executive building and there he inspected the offices of the governor and was presented to members of his immediate official family. It was soon noised through the departments that Judge Pennypacker was with Gov. Stone and the heads of departments, and the clerks immediately dropped work and called to pay their respects.

Prompt to call upon him were Attorney General Elkin, Secretary of the Commonwealth Griest, Banking Commissioner Reeder, Adjt. Gen. Stewart, Secretary of Internal Affairs Latta, Secretary of Internal Affairs-elect Brown, Chief of the Bureau of Industrial Statistics Clark and Secretary of Agriculture Hamilton.

After the informal receptions were over Judge Pennypacker, accompanied Gov. Stone back to the executive mansion, where luncheon was served. Judge and Mrs. Pennypacker returned home on the 5 o'clock train.

Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth Lewis E. Beitler of Philadelphia, whose name has been prominently mentioned for the post of secretary to the governor-elect, came to Harrisburg in the same train with Judge and Mrs. Pennypacker.

HE THOUGHT IT A MISTAKE

But It Wasn't and He's Just $5 Ahead

"You've made a mistake in balancing my account; you've credited me with $5 more than I deposited," said an honest old gentleman to a clerk at the Pennsylvania Trust Company the other day.

"No mistake," replied the clerk; "that $5 represents the 2 per cent interest we pay on checking accounts."

Then the old gentleman smiled a broad smile and wrote the location of the trust company—No. 410 Smithfield street—in his notebook, so that he could tell his friends where they would receive not only 4 per cent interest on their savings accounts, but where even their checking accounts would yield a handsome return.

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PORTO RICO GROWS IN MATERIAL WAYS

Gov. Hunt Submits Second Report Since Island Government Was Assumed.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The report of Gov. Hunt of Porto Rico, dated July 10, just made public, is the second one presented since the inauguration of civil government. It advises the president of healthy progress and steady advancement throughout the island. There has been progress in comprehension of the institutions of the United States; that administration in municipal affairs has improved; new roads have been built, and the telegraph system has been extended.

The sugar crop of 1902 is the largest but one ever produced. Increase in area of tobacco culture is reported.

The value of imports from the United States for the last fiscal year aggregated $16,719,944; imports from foreign countries amounted to $2,429,000; exports from Porto Rico to the United States amounted to $8,297,420, and to foreign countries $4,592,505.

In 1897 the Spaniards had 538 schools, in February, 1902, the United States, 939.

In fiscal affairs, on July 1, 1902, the total available funds were $1,350,468, a material increase. Receipts were $239,968 over expenditures.

There were 23,517 deaths last year, against 37,350 the year previous.

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But times may not always be so good. The far-seeing ones will deposit that 10 per cent increase in wages in the Pennsylvania Trust Company, 410 Smithfield street, where savings earn 4 per cent compound interest, and a capital and surplus of over $800,000 assure safety.

Latest Fall and Winter Novelties.
In suitings, trouserings and overcoatings.
PITCAIRN'S, 434 Wood Street.

SMART FURS FOR CHRISTMAS

There are hundreds of dainty, artistic pieces that are just right for Christmas giving—
And the best time to buy them is this week—

Scarfs—
Pretty Scarfs in Australian Marten, $10 to $15 each.
Brown Marten Scarfs, $15 to $25.
Fox Scarfs—all colors—$13.50 to $25.
Stone Marten and Baum Marten Scarfs, $45 to $75 each.
Hudson Bay Sable Scarfs, $100 to $250.
Muffs to match all of these—

There are also some very fine pieces in Russian Sable, for those who want this choicest of all neck furs—

For Misses—
Some very artistic furs for young women of 12 to 18, in Fox, Beaver, Lynx, and so forth at $12 to $25 a set—

Seal Garments—
Plain and trimmed effects made from skins personally selected—$300 up.

Fur Overcoats—
A nice present for any man—$75 to $500—the most expensive ones being the fine seal lined garments—

Umbrellas—If you haven't seen this stock of Christmas Umbrellas, you're missing something—There never was such another lot of rich and exclusive designs in Pittsburgh—Most of them made by Gorham—For Men and Women—

J. G. BENNETT & CO.
WOOD AND FIFTH.

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Weather—Rain or Snow. Thursday, Dec. 11, 1902.

Daily Suggestions, No. 4.

For Father:

Military Hair Brushes, Reading Lamp, Clothes Brush, Ash Tray or Pipe, Turkish Chair, Smoking Jacket, Pocketbook or Wallet, Cigar Jar, Scarf Pin, Shaving Mirror, Widearm Rocker, Fancy Waistcoat, Fitted Traveling Bag.

Half, Third, Fourth Off Women's Wraps.

A great reduction sale of women's Wraps begins today—in other words a clearance that is nearly a month ahead of the usual time.

No Coat or Jacket or Wrap has escaped this early pruning—be it the pert little Walking Coat or the handsome silk or velvet Evening and Carriage Wrap.

In thus inviting you to this early clearance we have pleasure in presenting you to complete variety, inasmuch as the phenomenally heavy selling of the last two months made it imperative upon us to have with our makers of women's Wraps a succession of re-orders.

You may say that this sale is unusual. It is. But this store is noted for the unusual things it does.

So, without more ado, you are invited to scan the following list of reduced prices in operation at 8 o'clock this morning.

The range of cloths is entirely too great to mention them in detail. However you will find Kersey, Broadcloth, Zibelines, Montagnacs, Cheviots, both rough and smooth, Thibets, Oxfords, Coverts, etc.

And every new model shown this year is here—Monte Carlo, in all the variations of this popular style, Alexandra Coats, Walking Coats, Box Coats, etc.

$9 for Jackets that sold for $15 and up to $20.
$11.75 for Coats that sold for $15 and $16.50.
$13.75 for Coats that sold for $16.50 and $18.
$15 for Coats that sold for $20 and $22.
$18 for Coats that sold for $23.50 and $25.
$20 for Coats that sold for $25 and up to $30.
$25 for Coats that sold for $32.50, $35 and $37.50. This group is exceptionally interesting. We know of no greater values ever being offered.

At $30, $40 and $50 you will find smart Wraps that show the original price tags of $50 and up to $75. Those Wraps that were so much admired as our display garments have also been heavily reduced.

Ladies' Silk Coats Reduced.

Handsome all-silk Peau de Sole Coats, either with flat or high collars, either single or triple capes, modish sleeves with gauntlet cuffs, and each Coat lined with satin, and well interlined, a combination of warmth with graceful lines and no excessive weight.

The largest variety in Pittsburg and our recent purchases from leading makers places the lines before you at a decided reduction from early season prices.

And we might say that these Wraps are well adapted for evening or early Spring wear, as they are for street wear at present. Just mention only of a few.

$13.50 for Monte Carlo Silk Coats that sold for $16.50 and $18.
$19 for Monte Carlo Silk Coats that sold for $25.
$22 for Monte Carlo Silk Coats that sold for $35.
$26 for Monte Carlo Silk Coats that sold for $35.

Busy men will save time and trouble in their Christmas buying if they will send for our

Merchandise Certificates,

ranging in amount from $1 to as many dollars as you wish to spend. These can be obtained at the Cashier's office, rear of first floor, and Holiday Goods will be furnished to holders for the amount they represent.

Christmas Table Sets of Handsome Damask Linens.

Ideal for the Xmas present to any woman who has a linen closet. Indeed there is nothing that carries with it so much of practicalness as a set of fine table Linen. Our finest sets include the very best of French damask.

Kindly consider the following as very suggestive:

$5 a set, in neat box, new designs of bleached Damask Sets, the cloth 2x3 yards and one dozen Napkins to match.
$7.50 a set, in neat box, bleached Damask Table Sets, choice of cloths, 2x4 yards or 2½x3 yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.
$16.50 a set, neatly boxed, bleached Damask Table Sets, the cloth 2½x4 yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.
$12.50 a set, neatly boxed, hemstitched Damask Table Sets, the cloth 2½x2½ yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.
$15 a set, neatly boxed, bleached Damask Table Sets, the cloth 2½x5 yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.
$19.50 a set, neatly boxed, bleached Damask Table Sets, the cloth 2½x6 yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.
$22.50 a set, neatly boxed, hemstitched Damask Table Sets, the cloth 2½x4 yards, and one dozen Napkins to match.

From $20 and on to $60 for the set is the price range of our finest French Damask Table Sets, choice of cloths, 2½x2½, 2½x4 yards and one dozen Napkins to match.

Work Boxes for Women and Children.

Fitted with many requisites that come in handy pretty nearly every day in the year.

Leather covered Work Boxes, complete with scissors, needles, etc., $1.
Work Boxes for travelers, very compact, $1, $1.50 and $1.75.
Work Boxes, covered with linen, 50c each.
Work Boxes of embossed leather, completely fitted, $1 and $1.50.
Large leather Work Boxes with lock and key, $10.
Work Boxes for children, 25c and 50c.
Rolls for travelers, fitted with thread, buttons, hooks and eyes, scissors, etc., $1 and $2.

Then this Notion Store with its thousand and one things has other suggestive and useful presents.

Christmas Millinery at Half.

Handsome Artificial Flowers, stately Feathers, the latter both fancy and plain, and beautifully trimmed Hats and Toques and the untrimmed Hats, all go out at half the season's prices.

A great period of the year for women—two Hats for the price that one cost formerly—a change of Hats for every day in the week.

Artificial Flowers and Feathers at 10c, were 25c; at 25c were 50c; at 50c, were $1.
Untrimmed Hats, every new shape the season calls for, every color and color tint, at 25c, were 50c; at 50c, were $1.
The cheap tables are full of Golf Hats, Outing Hats, Promenade Hats, and the prices in each range quoted here are less than half of regular prices, $2.50 up to $7.50.
Best styles and shapes in artistically trimmed Hats and Toques, full of refinement and beauty, at these half prices—at $1, were $2.50; at $2.50, were $10; at $7.50, were $15; at $10, were $20; at $12.50, were $25.

Italian Silk Blankets, 90c.

If you paid us $1.25 you would be getting something far below its real value.

Nice for couch covers, nice to throw over a rocker, nice for draping or they can be cut up into fancy pillows.

Intensely bright Roman colors—yellow, light blue, cardinal, and many other combinations. On sale in the Basement today and we are sorry to inform you that there are not any too many of them—probably enough for a good day's selling.

Crokinole Boards, $1.

Many evenings' fun and not much to pay for it.

These are the same Crokinole Boards, according to quality, that we have sold for $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.

Now they go together and all you have to pay is the even dollar.

Fancy Waists for Christmas.

Everything that women like not only of wool, but of cotton also, such cloths as Prunella, Granite, Tamise, Albatross, Doeskin, Flannel and Vestings.

Every style that you can think of, as to backs and fronts and sleeves.

An interesting price range beginning with the fraction of a dollar and running up to the very finest Waists at $8.50.

Rare Objects of Art
New Suggestions for Xmas Gifts
Collected for Inspection in Decorative Studios on Fifth Floor.

Single pieces in carved ivory and wood combined, direct from Paris.
Curious groups in bronzes and silver from Japan.
Reading Lamps copied from Pompeiian forms.
Screens in carved wood and hand-tooled leathers.
Dainty Chairs for drawing room and boudoir, copies from the French and English schools of design.
Fine examples of Grandfather Clocks, with and without chimes.
Unique portable five o'clock tea tables, inlaid mahogany and plate glass.

Persian Hearth Rugs, $20 Each.

Former Prices Ranging from $36 to $42.

We have taken, solely in the interest of gift-buyers, a lot of choice Daghestan, Shirvan and Cabistan Persian Hearth Rugs and put the price down to $20 for choice.

Another forceful instance of our efforts to please and to name the lowest prices for everything sold here—be it the trifle or intrinsic.

Description of Oriental Rugs in writing is very tame. To understand their beauty, to be shown how they will outlast any other Rugs made by many years, one must come to the store and inspect them.

For an elegant Christmas gift there is nothing so commendable.

All sizes and qualities of Oriental Rugs for Christmas buyers.

An Umbrella Special.

$1.45 each for regular $2 grade.

These are for women, and just 200 women can participate in this underpriced sale.

Black Taffeta, all the variety you want in the way of fancy handles.

On special table Fifth street cross aisle at elevators.

PENN AND FIFTH.

END OF BASEBALL WAR IN SIGHT

NATIONAL MAKES OFFER OF PEACE

Ban Johnson Has Not Yet Accepted the Olive Branch However.

PULLIAM PRESIDENT

By JAMES M. NELLIS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—It is now up to Ban Johnson and the club owners of the American league as to whether there is to be a continuation of the baseball war or whether there will be peace and with it a decrease in salaries of the players and some of the profits of the game for the club owners who have their cash invested, but who, by reason of fat salaries to players, brought about by the war, have been up against a losing game for the past year.

The initiative in this matter has been taken by the club owners of the National league, and in doing so they have dealt a crushing blow to John T. Brush, who has been controlling that organization and balking all efforts toward a settlement of the strife. Brush has been and is still for war to the bitter end, but he was out-voted by his associates. Mr. Brush can read the handwriting on the wall, and seeing that the vote on the peace measure indicated the same kind of a result when it comes time to elect a president for the league, he quickly sneaked out of the meeting room, wearing a crestfallen look. The proceedings of today indicate an end of Brushism in the National league, and it likewise means an end to the one-man power which has controlled the baseball body for some years.

Accepted the Olive Branch.

The peace propositions were brought about by the interview given out by Ban Johnson last night, in which he stated that the American league ever stood ready to extend its hand in good fellowship and end a war which was injuring both the game and the pocketbooks of its promoters. The magnates who forced the matter today were the Cincinnati club owners, and the result of their forcing was the following communication which was handed to Ban Johnson at his headquarters in the Criterion hotel this afternoon:

Dec. 10, 1902.

Mr. B. B. Johnson, President American League:

Dear Sir—At a meeting of the National league and American Association of Professional Baseball clubs held this day at the Victoria hotel in this city the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has been stated in the public prints that the president of the American league has declared that his organization has been in favor of, and that the National league has been opposed to, a peaceful settlement of the so-called baseball war; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed for the purpose of conferring with the representatives of the American league now in New York, if they so desire, to ascertain upon what basis such a result can be accomplished.

The Committee of Peace.

In pursuance of this resolution the following committee was appointed: Messrs. Herrmann of Cincinnati, Hart of Chicago and Robison of St. Louis. At a meeting of this committee I was directed as its chairman to transmit to you this communication for your consideration and action, and we await your pleasure. Your can address me in care of the Waldorf-Astoria or the Victoria hotel at our meeting room this evening.

AUGUST HERRMANN,
Chairman.
F. DE HAAS ROBISON,
Secretary.

After this communication had been sent to Mr. Johnson the league magnates went into session and remained until 9 o'clock, and as the American league president failed to appear a recess was taken until tomorrow. The general opinion is now that these peace negotiations have been under way for some weeks and it was this and not to look after grounds that brought the American leader to this city. Poor Ban Johnson, it looks as though Brush would balk the efforts of the peace advocates, but they finally took the bull by the horns and overrode the once great ruler of the league.

President Johnson of the American league, when seen tonight at the Criterion hotel, was surrounded by his advisers, and they seemed to be in a merry mood. Mr. Johnson admitted having received the peace proposition from the National league and professed to have been surprised.

Johnson Is Deliberate.

He said the matter was one which should not be acted on hastily, and would require some little consideration before a reply could be made. He said that the matter would not change the American league plans as to placing a team in New York, as his league has two-year contracts to players for the team and these contracts must be lived up to. He refused to say whether he would be present at the National league meeting tomorrow, but the indications are that he will be on hand and there will be no delay in patching up peace.

If peace is brought about, and it now looks as though it would, there will be no American league club in Pittsburgh, as there will be a combining of interest in nearly all cities where opposition clubs are established. Chicago and New York can support two teams. But so in Boston, Philadelphia and St. Louis it has been demonstrated that only one club will pay there, there will be a combining of interests. It will not mean the abolishing of either league, but the two organizations will work in harmony, having non-conflicting dates and respecting each others players.

No Action on Presidency.

Today the club owners spent a large portion of their time talking over the league presidency. John T. Brush is dead set for a continuation of the executive committee, but a short discussion showed him that he was up against it good and hard, as six of the eight club owners were in favor of a president. The only names mentioned were Harry Pulliam, secretary of the Pittsburgh club, and John M. Ward, the old-time player. It was decided to hold the matter of the election over until tomorrow, and there may be a warm time over the matter. Secretary Pulliam is not hankering after the job, but appreciates the honor of having been named for the position.

Tonight the club owners acted as was predicted in these dispatches on Tuesday morning—they adopted a playing schedule for next season. This is something of an innovation, being about three months ahead of time, but there were a few scraps of different lines this year. The schedule adopted tonight calls for 154 games, 14 more than were played last year. The season opens one day earlier and closes one week later. Every club in the league is scheduled to play Sunday games, which will be something new for Boston and Philadelphia. Col. John I. Rogers of the Phillies raised a feeble kick, but it was simply done to please himself, for himself down easy with the Quaker City church people.

Pittsburgh Was Favored.

This schedule was prepared by President Dreyfuss, who saw to it that his champions did not get any the worst of it. The Pirates will have all the holidays at home. On Decoration day Cincinnati will be the attraction, on the Fourth of July the Phillies will be at Exposition park and on Labor day, September 7, the Chicago team will be in Pittsburgh. The champions open the season in Cincinnati on April 15 and the St. Louis team will be here at Exposition park, opening the home season on April 21. By all the clubs playing Sunday games the Pirates will be cut out of some Sunday dates, but the team will have 4,000 less miles to travel than last year. The schedule calls for three trips east and west. The season will close October 11, with the eastern clubs in the west.

The annual meeting of the Pittsburgh club was held this morning in the office of the club's attorney in Jersey City. The only change made was in the vice presidency. O. S. Hermanan taking that position, in place of W. Kelsey Schoepf, who is now located in Cincinnati.

President Dreyfuss said tonight that he was not in a position to talk about a new baseball park for the Pirates in the East End. He admitted knowing of plans for a handsome park in that section of the city, but said that his lips were sealed by a promise given the promoters.

Several weeks ago The Gazette noted the publication of a charter application notice of the Pittsburgh Steeplechase and Amusement Company. The proposed incorporators of which are gentlemen connected with the law offices of Reed, Smith, Shaw & Beal. A few days ago The Gazette noted in its real estate columns that an option had been taken on property at Point Breeze. Yesterday it was reported that the Pittsburgh National league club would give up its lease on the Allegheny grounds and play in the future on the French property at Point Breeze. As noted above President Dreyfuss refuses to say anything about it.

The proposed company plans to erect a club house, conduct a skating rink, natatorium and other amusement features to make the place first class in every particular. Ex-Judge James H. Reed, president of the Philadelphia Company, said yesterday that he is in no way interested in the enterprise.

A LEADER IN THE GRIND.

NAT BUTLER,
The Noted Sprinter of L. A. W. Days Is One of the Favorites at the Front in the Madison Square Garden Race.

AN EVEN BREAK AT NEW ORLEANS

Golden Rule, Leviathan and Smile the Winning Favorites.

FLORESTAN A 30 TO 1

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 10.—Golden Rule, Leviathan and Smile were the winning favorites. Clear; track slow.

First race, selling, six furlongs—Florestan, 104, Pollock, 5 to 1, won; Irene Mac, 103, Gannon, 3 to 2, second; Tom Maybin, 108, Buchanan, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:17 4-5. Auric B., Zealotry, Immortelle, Floyd K., Cologne II., Solver and Hedge also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Earl Kahler, 114, W. Hicks, 5 to 1, won; John Peters, 112, Helgerson, 9 to 2, second; Oakia, 100, M. Booker, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:04 4-5. Frank Kenny, Herodiade, Clorita, Jim Clarke and Jane Holly also ran.

Third race, selling, 1 1-16th miles—Shut Up, 105, Helgerson, 7 to 1, won; Banish, 103, Gannon, even, second; John Peter, 103, Bonelli, 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:56 3-5. Anchoria, Twin, Right Bower, Dr. Lovejoy, Georgia Gardner and Cold also ran.

Fourth race, highweight handicap, 6 furlongs—Golden Slipper, 140, Buchanan, even, won; Worthington, 115, Robbins, 8 to 1, second; Antonius, 118, Powell, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 3-5. Belvino, Wealth, False Death, Trombone and Dr. Sherman also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16th miles—Leviathan, 98, Robbins, 8 to 10, won; Scotch Plaid, 105, Buchanan, 3 to 1, second; Cogswell, 105, Price, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:53 3-5. Flaneur, Annie Laurette and Adelante also ran.

Sixth race, 7 furlongs—Smile, 115, Landry, even, won; Little Scout, 112, J. Conley, 5 to 2, second; Tom Kingsley, 112, Helgerson, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:32. Nimble Nag, Lady Alberta and Ettholin also ran.

The entries for tomorrow:

First race, purse, maiden 2-year-olds, 6 furlongs—Gloria Mundi, Ditto, Sweet Marjorie, Nellie Bly II., Fading Light, 107; Suburban Queen, Varna Fonso, Woodmont Belle, 112.

Second race, selling, 6 furlongs—Lemoyne, 92; Optional, 94; Dougherty, 95; Quicksilver Sue, White Owl, 97; Light Hunt, 100; Bummer, Azua, 101; Andes, 104; If You Dare, Paul Creyton, 105; Ordnung, 112.

Third race, selling, mile—Lady Midas, Pearl Finder, 107; Swordsman, 113; Judge Magee, Rotha, El Roy, Jerry Hunt, Inverary II., 117; Alfred C. False Lead, 112; Ecome, Peter Durfee, 123.

Fourth race, handicap, one mile—Orpheum, 88; Honolulu, 95; Ray, 98; Lady Sterling, 101; C. B. Campbell, 106; Sarner, 104; Rolling Boer, 113. Last two coupled.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16th miles—Aimless, 94; Captain Forsker, 97; Latson, 98; Huzzah, 100; Optimo, 102; Free Pass, Sarilla, Annie Laurette, Commissioner Forester, Tour, 102; Freeman, 105; Prince Blazes, 108.

Sixth race, 7 furlongs—My Surprise, 90; Brookston, 93; Phil Knight, St. Tammany, 100; Little Scout, 103; Kiss Quick, Lofter, Moor, Hazel B., Four Leaf C., Omelia, 105; Joe Daugherty, 108.

PHILLIPI TO PLAY.

Pittsburgh's Pitcher Joins Wagner's Carnegie Team—Game Tonight.

Baseball champions of the diamond will be prominent in local basketball this season, as Deacon Phillipi has joined his comrade, Honus Wagner of the Pittsburgh team in the playing of the gymnasium game. The Superior A. C., with which team he will line up and which is managed by Wagner, is a member of the Allegheny County league, will play its first game of the season this evening in Arcade hall, Carnegie, with the Crescent A. C. five of Pittsburgh. The first game of which will be played with Lyceum on December 18.

Besides Wagner and Phillipi the members of the Carnegie team are as follows: Al Wagner, Patrick Flaherty, also a ball player; Leo Seible, D. Morgan and William Ehrhart.

MATHEWS GOT DECISION.

Owen Zeigler Was Knocked Out in the Sixth Round.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 10.—Matty Mathews, former welterweight champion, was given the decision over Owen Zeigler at the Savannah Athletic club tonight in the sixth round of what was scheduled to be a 20-round bout.

In the second round Zeigler knocked Matthews down and drew blood. In the sixth Mathews sent Zeigler to the mat with a right to the point of the jaw. Zeigler took the count and got up wild as an infuriated animal, striking right and left.

He made a desperate attack on Matthews, but Referee Jenkins held up his hands, stopped the fight and gave the decision to Matthews. Up to the end it was either man's fight, and one of the hottest ever seen here.

WILL FIGHT AT DETROIT.

Articles for the Corbett-McGovern Bout to Be Signed Today.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 10.—William Considine, matchmaker for the Metropolitan Athletic club of this city, today received a dispatch from John Considine of New York, manager for Jim Corbett, stating that Detroit has been awarded the Corbett-McGovern contest.

The men will meet here probably on January 2. William Considine left tonight for New York, where he will commence post a $2,500 forfeit and be present at the signing of the articles.

An Early Start in Baseball.

YORK, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—George Heckert, manager of the Penn Park baseball club of this city, has arranged for games with the Cuban Giants, Ex-Cuban Giants, Camden, Annville, Reading and Chester teams and is making preparations for an early opening of the season. He has already begun signing players. It is thought that Jesse Frysinger, the new manager of the Harrisburg A. C., who visited York yesterday, was here for the purpose of signing Maxwell, who made an excellent record on the Penn Park team last year.

Basketball at Westminster.

NEW WILMINGTON, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The first game of basketball at Westminster college will be played Saturday between the alumni and the regular college basketball teams in the college gymnasium.

EUROPEANS NOW OUT OF THE SIX-DAY GRIND

American Teams Now Tied for Lead 75 Miles Behind the Record.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—America has triumphed over Europe in the six-day cycle race in Madison Square garden. With the retirement of Breton and Darragon and Heller and Doerflinger at an early hour this morning the struggle for supremacy had shrunk to a speed battle between nine American teams. Of these six were on even terms, while but a lap separated Barclay and Franz Krebs, Galvin and Root and Keegan and Peterson from the leaders.

Although half the journey had been completed at midnight there were no signs of any of the then survivors relinquishing their task. Everyone and the Hippodrome on the call of his trainers with a readiness which indicated a keen struggle to the end. Throughout the third day of the contest records receded farther from accomplishment. At midnight the leaders were more than 75 miles behind the best gures for the race.

"Johnny" Bedell, the idol of Long Island pedaliers and the hope of all New Yorkers, was the hero today. After a tedious interlude of plain plodding, which lasted from before noon and for the greater part of the afternoon, Bedell caught his rivals napping and came out of the mix looking himself and brother at the head of the ranks.

Undoubtedly the liveliest of the riders tonight is Leander. He is a glutton for work and never seems contented unless some one of his rivals takes it into his head to set a pace with which only sprinters of the most sterling qualities can live. But for violent protests from his partners, he would be leading without a respite.

The freshest of the competitors tonight were Leander, McFarland and his partner, Maya. Moran and his mate, Stinson, and John Bedell. Nothing seemed to affect this sextet.

The score at midnight was:

McFarland-Maya	1,317 3
Stinson-Moran	1,317 3
Bedell-Bedell	1,317 3
Newkirk-Jacobsen	1,317 3
Butler-Turville	1,317 3
Leander-Floyd Grebs	1,317 3
Barclay-Franz Krebs	1,317 2
Keegan-Peterson	1,317 2
Galvin-Root	1,317 2

LITTLE BOY PLAYED WITH DIAMOND RINGS

His Amusement Gave Mother a Great Scare and Provoked an Advertisement.

Edward M. Diebold, Jr., the two-year-old son of Edward M. Diebold of No. 5816 Hayes street, East End, amused himself yesterday playing with a jewel bag containing eight valuable rings which cost over $1,000, while his mother fully believed that she had lost them.

Mrs. Diebold made preparation for a shopping tour downtown Tuesday. After dressing she took her ring bag, containing the eight rings, four solitaire diamonds, a solid gold wedding ring and two cluster rings, from her jewel case and went downstairs. She deposited the jewel bag on a stand for a few minutes until her maid fixed a part of her clothing, and being in a hurry to get to the city, she forgot about leaving her rings behind.

Thinking that she had tied the chamois bag around her neck, where she is accustomed to wear it, Mrs. Diebold did her shopping. She returned home in a frenzy. Her rings were missing and she could not account for them. Hastily telephoning her husband that she had lost them, she started a vigorous search.

The valuables could not be found, however, and Mrs. Diebold became more convinced every minute that she had lost them. An advertisement was inserted in a Pittsburgh paper and the police were notified of the missing jewelry.

While looking about her shirtwaists yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Diebold was more than surprised to find her chamois bag with every ring in it. Upon investigation she learned that her little son had taken the valuables from the stand, played with them until tired and then placed them in the shirtwaist box.

Hayes Re-Elected.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the members of the W. and J. football team at the college gymnasium this evening, Roy Hayes of California, Pa., a member of the junior class, was re-elected captain of next year's team.

There were no other candidates and Capt. Hayes' re-election was unanimous. Capt. Hays accepted, saying he expected to have the best team next year in the history of the college. Hayes re-election meets with general satisfaction. He stated tonight that the next year coaches would be old W. and J. players.

Skeptics Turn Believers and are cured.—"When I read that Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder could relieve catarrh in ten minutes I was far from being convinced. I tried it—a single puff through the blower afforded instant relief, stopped pain over the eyes and cleansed the nasal passages. Today I am free from catarrh."—B. L. Egan, Easton, Pa.—17.

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Read Our Special "ad."
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, in the Pittsburgh Gazette, EVERY WEEK

AMERICAN MEN ARE CONFIDENT

Local Team Selected and Final Papers in Johnson's Hands.

CLAIM A FRANCHISE

The trend of baseball affairs, according to the local promoters of an American league team, is just to their taste and satisfaction is expressed over favorable declarations made in New York by Johnson and Somers.

The presence of the American league here will not be taken seriously by the majority of baseball patrons until it is actually established, but the men interested in its coming are, to say the least, making a mighty strong bluff, if there is not real prospect of opposing factions in the national game here next season.

"The papers for the establishment of an American team are now in the hands of Ban Johnson," said C. J. Peddar yesterday, "and having the assurance of the men interested in that league of their favorable attitude, I can only say that the actual presence of a team here depends solely on the vote of these magnates at their meeting next week. Having been assured of a franchise repeatedly and having our grounds only dependent upon the voting of that franchise, we are as sure of the American league's presence here as the opposition seems to be that there will be no team. I do not expect these gentlemen to depart from their word and I see that President Johnson and Vice President Somers have just declared in New York in favor of Pittsburgh.

"You can say that we even have the personnel of our team mapped out and in our hands, and that it is a team which will be ready for the Pittsburgh Nationals from the word go. We are willing to back our team for a series of three games to be played the first crack out of the box, two to be played on the respective grounds and a third on a neutral diamond.

"I would also like to wager that if the National issues its schedule at this meeting the American team here will fight with it date for date, playing here at home every day the National does, unless that league should make this impossible by shifting its games. Our application for a charter is in our lawyer's hands and we are ready to go ahead with the game just as soon as our franchise is voted. If we get the franchise there is no question as to grounds, and as to the franchise I am as certain of that as of the American's entrance into New York."

ORIENT ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Baseball Team Is Already After Games.

The Orient A. C. met last night and elected Harry Kennedy president, John Brannigan, vice president, Anthony Monahan secretary, and Thomas Glenn treasurer. After the meeting the club was entertained by Mr. James Cosbow at the Orient hotel. Lahey, Kirk, Murphy, McAffe, Gorin, Joyce, Bigley and Stauffer, all of last year's baseball team, will, with a few more players, comprise this year's team.

C. A. Bigley will be manager and Thomas Glenn orated. They would like to fill the schedule at once with 16 or 17-year-old teams. Address C. A. Bigley, No. 1 Randolph street, Allegheny, Pa.

MARTIN AND ARMSTRONG DREW.

Both Men Suffered in a Fast Bout Decided at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 10.—"Denver Ed" Martin and "Bob" Armstrong of New York sparred six rounds tonight at the Penn Art club. The bout was fast from start to finish and both men narrowly escaped a knockout.

The bell saved Armstrong in the third and fifth rounds, and Martin was floored six times in the fourth round. When the last bell sounded the fighters were extremely groggy and showed every evidence of exhaustion.

SPEEDWAY FOR FAST HORSES IS PROPOSED

Prominent Men Will Hold a Meeting This Evening to Boom the Project.

Some of the most prominent business men of this city who are as well lovers of good horse flesh, have called a meeting to be held this evening in the rooms of the East End board of trade to consider the promotion of a speedway for the fast and blooded stock owned in this city. The men most actively interested in the project who have signed their names to the call as a committee are Charles Donnelly, John G. Bennett, J. D. Callery, O. H. Allerton and William McFarland.

The subject of a speedway such as is possessed by other large cities in the country, was agitated some years ago but was permitted to fall through because of a lack of sufficiently hearty support.

In considering this proposition, the selection of location is deemed most important, in order to exclude heavy vehicles and automobiles, as well as avoid the danger of injury to pedestrians.

Two locations are available, the first, parallel with the Beechwood boulevard, from Brilliant station to Larimer avenue bridge, and the other the Heights run road, from Stanton avenue to Butler street. This latter seems the more available and, we are informed, could be straightened and graded and made entirely suitable for the purpose of a speedway.

It is argued that such a speedway is required in this city so that our citizens may have the use of a clay roadway especially prepared for speeding without injury to their horses, such as New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other large cities have.

SUMNER WINS.

Has Harbor Mined Before Arrival of Higginson—Loser Congratulates Winner on His Victory.

MAYAGUESE, PORTO RICO, Dec. 10.—Admiral Higginson arrived here at 11 o'clock last night and sent a letter to Admiral Sumner, under a flag of truce, announcing his presence with four battleships and a number of cruisers. He further stated that if the harbor was properly mined he would concede the victory to Admiral Sumner and congratulate the latter on his success.

Admiral Sumner replied that Mayaguese had been captured and mined, and thanked Admiral Higginson for his congratulations.

This afternoon Admiral Sumner issued an order announcing the successful termination of the problem and conveying his congratulations and thanks to his subordinates.

DEATH FROM LOCKJAW.

Young Man Refused to Have His Injured Fingers Amputated.

Because he refused to submit to an operation for the amputation of three injured fingers, Joseph Dembich, aged 22, of No. 11 Spruce alley died at the West Penn hospital of lockjaw. Dembich went to the hospital on Saturday. The thumb and the first and fourth fingers on his right hand were crushed. The physicians told him that amputation would be necessary, but he refused to submit to the operation.

On Monday he was seized by blood poisoning, but still refused to allow his injured members to be amputated. Lockjaw followed and he died yesterday afternoon.

Ax and Tool Combine.

READING, PA., Dec. 10.—The movement by which the ax and tool interests are to be consolidated, and which has been going on for nearly a year, is about consummated.

LOCAL BOYS LEADERS IN W. & J. BASKETBALL

J. R. Dickie Is to Captain the Junior an O. R. Burns the Sophomore Team.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—Things are livening up in basketball at W. & J. college and the class teams are getting into shape for the season beginning after the Christmas vacation. The captains of the three class teams selected are: Senior, W. W. Hanna, of Washington, center; O. R. Burns, of Pittsburgh, guard, sophomore; and junior, J. R. Dickie, of Pittsburgh, center.

The freshman team has not yet chosen its leader. Dickie is a former Pittsburgh High school boy and played a phenomenal game at center on the 1901 team last year. Physical Director Dr. L. F. Kirchner has arranged a good schedule of games and the inter-class championship series will start the first of the year.

Manchester Midgets Victorious.

The Manchester Midgets defeated the Watson Jrs. by a score of 24 to 3, the features of the game were the playing of Tuescher and Earls.

Jackson	Forward	Schmidt
Tuescher	Forward	McCall
Rieneke	Center	McCall
Morrow-Young	Guard	Craig
Earls	Guard	Shafter

Goals from field—Tuescher 8, Rieneke 3, Morrow 1. Foul goals—McCall 1.

A Wooden Leg

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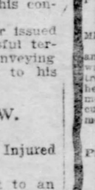

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of an order of the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania, made November 18th, 1902, in the matter of Adolph Groetzinger, Bankrupt, at No 44 in Bankruptcy, the Pennsylvania Trust Company, Trustee of the estate, will expose to

Public Sale or Auction On Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 10 O'clock, A. M.

at the U. S. Marshal's Office in the Court House (Post Office Building), Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

All that certain lot being 36 unimproved lots (formerly owned by said bankrupt) in the Brereton Plan of Lots in the 15th Ward of Pittsburgh, recorded in the Recorder's Office of Allegheny County in Plan book 4, pages 66 and 67, viz: Lots Nos. 4, 8, 10, 16, 17, and 23 to 25, fronting on Ruthven street; Lots Nos. 3, 5, 51, 52, 61, fronting on Flavian street; Lots Nos. 75, 77, fronting on Jewell street; Lots Nos. 6, 6, 7, 21, 22, fronting or Metwood street; Lots Nos. 28, 29, 40, 41, 42, 48, fronting on Brereton avenue; Lots Nos. 132, 143, 144, 145, 153, 154 (except 22 feet thereof) fronting on Grant boulevard; Lot No. 182, fronting on Bismarck street, and Lot No. 194, fronting on Ridge street.

The average width of said lots is about 22 feet and average depth about 100 feet, excepting the lots

Fronting on Grant Boulevard

which are about 88 feet in width and about 60 feet in depth.

The above lots will be sold as a whole and subject to the approval of Court.

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10 per cent of the purchase money to be paid in cash when said lots are knocked down, and the balance to be paid in cash upon confirmation of said sale by the Court and delivery of deed.

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NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 185, February term, 1903.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Clayton avenue, from present sewer northward to McGrew's north line, Second ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice, that they will, on the 23d day of December, A. D. 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Clayton avenue and McGrew's north line, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

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Viewers.

NOTICE—In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 181, February term, 1903.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses and assess the benefits for the grading, paving, curbing and damage by grade of Woodland avenue, from Brighton road to Shady avenue, Eleventh ward.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the court viewers in the foregoing matter, hereby give notice, that they will, on the 22d day of December, A. D. 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m., meet on the line of the said improvement, at the corner of Woodland avenue and Brighton road, proceeding thence over the line of said improvement, viewing the same, and the premises affected thereby, and will hear all parties interested therein and their witnesses.

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NOVEMBER BUILDING FALLS OFF $250,000

Residents Will Oppose Use of French Property for Ball Grounds--A $20,000 Flat for Allegheny. Two New Churches Planned.

The report of November building operations, issued yesterday, furnishes another disappointment to those who had hoped to see 1902 show more activity in building than 1901, which was a record-breaker for Pittsburgh. The total value of the buildings proposed was $1,152,449, or $253,347 less than the amount for November, 1901. Two more permits were issued than for the corresponding month last year, the total number for last month being 316. Of these, 205 were for new buildings, classified as follows: Frame, 104; brick-veneered, 47; brick, 46, and composition, 8. Permits were granted for 46 additions, amounting to $68,110, and 55 permits were issued for repairs and alterations, the estimated cost of which is put at $52,471. Compared with October, 1902, the report shows 38 more permits, or a gain in the total sum of $1,192.

The Twenty-second ward, with a total of $210,000, led in the amount of buildings projected. Following it came the Twenty-first and Thirty-seventh wards, with a total of $178,805 and $86,700, respectively. The Seventeenth ward made the poorest showing, only one permit, for $800, having been taken out, and the Second ward had but a single permit, amounting to $700, to its credit. The chief cause of the decline in building is attributed to the tight money market which prevailed most of the month, making it very difficult for prospective builders to get funds. High prices of building materials and bad weather also contributed to keep the amount of building below the mark anticipated.

Know Now What They Must Fight.

As announced exclusively in The Gazette several days ago, the reported option on the Aaron French property at the corner of Penn and Linden avenues for a baseball park is likely to create no little opposition among the residents of that aristocratic neighborhood. Although no official confirmation of the option has been secured, as President Dreyfuss is out of the city, W. C. Temple intimated yesterday that the Pittsburgh Amusement Company, which is the name of the new organization which proposes to camp on the ground, has an option, and that it may be expected to begin active operations as soon as its charter is secured. Among those interested in the project are ex-Judge J. H. Reed, Barney Dreyfuss, W. C. Temple, W. W. Darley and George B. Motheral. The plans as reported call for a baseball park 360x560 feet, a club house on the Penn avenue front, and a pleasure resort in the rear, to include merry-go-rounds, switch-backs, hockey and skating rinks, etc. The ball park will be used by the National league, it is said. Exposition park in Allegheny is not badly wanted by the Pittsburgh & Western Railroad Company, although the league still has a six-year lease on the site.

The value set upon the French property, $400,000, has led many to consider its use for a baseball park absurdity, but with the amusement feature added and the strong backing assured to the project, it seems highly probable, as it is one of the best located plots in the city. It is expected that within a few days an active opposition will be organized among the residents in the vicinity, as those who have been interviewed are radically opposed to the invasion.

Little Activity on Surface.

Evidently the short but severe attack of winter has chilled the real estate market, for very little activity has been visible this week. No deals of importance have been reported and aside from a few moderate priced residence sales there is nothing worth mentioning. Sales of small improved properties continue to come in on the half dozen basis, but most of them are made without the aid of a broker. Unless a succession of unfavorable causes occurs to operate against the market, however, the month is likely to see one of the largest deals made this year. Several of these are nearing the closing point and may be closed this week. Among them are the Negley deals mentioned, which, when over $400,000, the deal for a theater site and the deals for a baseball park. Preliminary papers have also been signed in the sale of a $75,000 property on both sides of Suburban property valued at near $100,000. Two other Allegheny deals, each of over $40,000 are pending, with a good prospect of early closing. Quite a number of the deals pending for closing real estate deals has been evidenced again this week by the failure of a down town broker to place a large mortgage thus holding up the deal indefinitely.

Good Flats for Allegheny.

Bids are being taken by Architects Hodgens & Burns on the three-story apartment house which will be built by Norman McFerron in the new Negley avenue boulevard, Allegheny. The building will have a pressed brick front and will measure 40x110 feet. The plans call for 18 flats of four rooms each and 18 bath rooms, which will be heated by steam and provided with gas and electric lights. The cost is estimated at $20,000.

Architect Charles M. Robinson is drawing preliminaries for the brick church building to be erected by the Methodist Episcopal congregation of Reynolds at a cost of $25,000.

Architects Allison & Topp are receiving estimates on the Jas. Memorial Methodist Episcopal church at Hite station on the West Penn railroad. The church is the gift of Capt. Ford of Hite station, and will cost about $12,000.

F. A. Yeager will build three modern reception hall houses at Thornburg from plans now being prepared by Architects E. M. Butz & Co., Limited. The houses will be brick and stone dwellings containing 10 rooms each, and will cost together about $22,000. Bids will be taken at once. The same architects draw the plans for a two-story apartment house to be erected at the southwest corner of Center and North Craig street by John McSorley at a cost of $65,000.

Exchange Deal of $43,000.

Articles of agreement have been signed in an exchange deal involving real estate valued at $43,000, in which C. H. Siedle figures as the broker. The larger property in the exchange is a two-story brick store and flat building in Wood street, Wilkinsburg, which is valued at $23,000. This property is traded for a piece of vacant frontage in Hazelwood and 100 feet of Edgewood frontage valued at $20,000, the difference being paid in cash. The new owner of the former will build a residence, which will improve both plots with brick houses to cost $5,000 each.

Allegheny: W. F. Weltershausen sold for the estate of Henry Dunstrup to George D. Schmitt a Schenley leasehold on the property at Nos. 708 and 710 East Ohio street, Allegheny, for $4,800. The lot measures 51.2x110 feet, and has erected on it two double frame houses.

Allegheny: The Allegheny Real Estate Company sold to Mrs. Philomena Simeanginer for Mrs. Mary J. Nichols, No. 1411 Arch street, Allegheny, an eight-room brick house, lot 20x100 feet, and a four-room brick house in the rear facing Veto street, for $6,800.

Wilkinsburg: Hosfer & Dilcert sold for Joseph Wilson to George A. Thompson an improved lot in Ella street, Wilkinsburg, for $3,000.

Ben Avon: Henry W. Armstrong sold for Elizabeth B. O'Neil to Margaret E. McIlvaine a lot, 55x150 feet, in Dreading street, Ben Avon, for $1,200.

Deals in Nineteenth Ward.

Margaretta street: Thomas C. Perrine, trustee for Jane Neese and others, sold to Amanda Epping an improved lot, 35x100 feet, on the south side of Margaretta street, near Negley avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $8,500.

Roevelet street: Horner & Ladley sold for William A. Shaw to Edward Moffett an improved lot, 25x125 feet, on the north side of Roevelet street, near Sheridan avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $3,800.

Dauphin street: David Doherty sold to A. C. Bartley a lot 60x100 feet on the south side of Dauphin street, near Winebiddle avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $1,800.

Sunnyside street: John E. Reynolds sold to Miss Adda Edwards an improved lot, 24x100 feet, on the west side of Sunnyside street, Twenty-third ward, for $2,100.

Richland street: John W. Beatty sold to M. K. Solberry a lot, 60x240 feet, in Richland street, near Juniata street, Twenty-second ward, for $2,125.

South Side: A. R. Hunter sold for Henry Thielman to John Rebholtz an improved lot, 19x74 feet, on the north side of Josephine street, south side, for $3,400.

Penn avenue: James A. Moreland sold to James H. Wallace a five-sixths interest in an improved lot, 25x100 feet, on the north side of Penn avenue, near Twentieth street, Twelfth ward, for $5,000.

Two Loan Associations Deal.

Larkins alley: The South Side Turners Building and Loan association sold to the Schiller Glocke Building and Loan association an improved lot, 20x60 feet, in the north side of Larkins alley, near Nineteenth street, Twenty-sixth ward, for $1,000.

Kelly street: Charles M. Thorp bought at sheriff's sale the undivided one-half interest of Alexander H. Jenkins in a lot 30x133 feet, on the north side of Kelly street, near Lang avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $1,550.

Hamilton Avenue: Robert Woodside sold to Charles Dyer a lot, 20x135 feet, in the north side of Hamilton avenue, near Park avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $800.

Spruce street: Louis Andre sold to Michael Hopf an improved lot, 25x75 feet, on the north side of Spruce street, Twenty-seventh ward, for $1,300.

The only building permit issued yesterday was to W. H. Duffel, for a one-story frame dwelling on Grace street, Thirty-second ward, to cost $500.

Transfers Recorded.

Pascale Peter A et ux to Solomon Jacobson, Oct. 16, '02, 7th wd, Pgh, 20x80, Chatham st ..... $ 6,000
Lawsen Jas A et ux to Jos Gilmore, Dec. 1, '02, W Homestead boro, 7th ave, ... 2,325
Ross Mary E et al to Ralph M Johnston, Nov. 28, '02, 10th wd, Ally, 40x48, May ave 1,850
Edmundson Lucas P to Jas P Screws, Aug. 19, '02, Port Vue boro, 50x188, Lincoln st 750
Campbell Irwin K et ux to A A Irvine, Oct. 28, '02, 14th wd, Pgh, 28x165, Ward st 6,500
Hamfeldt Geo K et ux to P S Algeo, Nov. 28, '02, Swissvale boro, lot, township road 750
Fullerton Mary McC et al to Mrs Emma Hammett, Nov. 21, '02, 19th wd, Pgh, 16x130, Sheraden ave 900
Penns Salt Mfg Co to Samuel S. Barkerstock, Nov. 10, '02, Harrison township, Kittanning st 950
Ryan Rose A et al to Jas P Blackburn, Oct. 8, '02, 2d wd, McKpt, 62x71, Tube Works alley 12,900
Rodger Jno et ux et al to J A Skelley, Dec. 3, '02, 37th wd, Pgh, 2 lots, Mulford ave 5,675
Oppenheimer Eva et al to Mignon Lesser, Nov. 26, '02, Ally, Fulton st 6,000
Hellenbrecht Johanna to Sam'l W Shaw, Aug. 1, '00, 3d wd, McKpt, ... 1,000
Sokes Edwin et ux to Thos D Gardner, Dec 2, '02, 8th wd, McKpt, 25x100, Cronemeyer ave 1,600
Seibel August to Walter Dempster et ux, Nov. 15, Scott twp, 40x118, Bluff st 1,250
Prager Peter et ux to August Baur et al, Dec 2, '02, O'Hara twp, 2 lots, ... 8,500
Goehring Henderson L et ux toThos Whitten, May 29, '02, 37th wd, Pgh, Hamilton ave 800
Smith Annie E et al to Jas H Anderson, Nov 21, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 26x135, Bennett st 1,000
Brown Thos M to Mrs Lizzie T. McGowan, June 18, '02, Mifflin twp, 1 acre 700
Panner Philip to Ulrich Lins, Nov 25, '02, Greenfield boro 1,200
Porter Robt et ux et al to Annie B Kuhns, Sept 30, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 24x110, Loudon st 2,000
Bergmann Jno et ux to Sophia Dunlap, Nov 18, '02, 38th wd, Pgh, 18 lots, Florence ave 10,500
Gould Albert J et ux to Frank Arbuckle, Nov 25, '02, Avalon boro, California ave 1,633
Maul Catherine to Walter S McCormick, Nov 26, '02, Knoxville boro, 25x100, unnamed st 4,500
Willis Chas A et ux to Martha L Mac-Millan, Oct. 28, '02, 1st wd, Carnegie boro, 75x100, 7th ave 6,000
Matheys Felix to Jno H Robert, Sept 30, '02, N Fayette twp 1,200
Shuey M Jas et ux to Thos W McFarland, Nov 2, '02, 23d wd, Pgh, 25x125, Johnston ave 6100
Pugh Jas L to Wm Gibson, Nov 17, '02, 9th wd, Ally, 87x88, Preble ave 8,500
Berner Alois et ux to Fred'k Wellinger, Nov 25, '02, Brackenridge boro, 60x150 ft, Canal st 3,800
Hauley Jas et ux to Simon Bauer, Nov 18, '02, 9th wd, Ally, 2 lots, Preble ave 11,100
Anderson Jno et ux to David Weiner, Nov 20, '02, 18th wd, Pgh, 20x100, Carnegie ave 2,800
Bell Jas S et ux to J Henry Perner, Nov 24, '02, 2d wd, Ally, 20x50, Carrol st 2,500
Langworthy H M et ux to Sam'l Moyle, Dec 2, '02, Sheraden boro, 66x100, First st 4,700
McBride Jno to Mary E Schmidt, Nov 4, '02, 2d wd, Ally, 20x100, Lathgow ave 3,350
Carrick Land Co to Jno H Reuhenbach, Dec 1, '02, Baldwin twp, 2 lots, Carrick ave 1,400
Gleason F S et al to Chas Leng, Nov 5, '02, 9th wd, McKpt, 25x100, Mercantille ave 550
McFarland Thos W et ux to Mahlon J Shuey et ux, Nov 2, '02, 23d wd, Pgh, Trowbridge st 3,750
Safe Dept & Ti Co Gd to Louis Ruehneisen, Jr, Nov 25, '02, 28th wd, Pgh, lot, Carson st 2,000
Callear Moses et ux to Thriesa Schroefel, Nov 22, '02, 37th wd, Pgh, 40x137, Kelley st 4,410
Ruehneisen Adelaide et ux to Louis Ruehneisen, Jr, July 18, '02, 28th wd, Pgh, Carson st 1,000
Crumley Wm to Louis Krieger, Dec 8, '02, McKees Rocks boro, lot, Island ave 4,450
St Clair Impt Co to Chas T Artell, Aug 6, '02, Jefferson twp, 40x125, Park ave 720
Shaw Joshua et ux to Nathaniel Brown, Dec 6, '02, 2d wd, Duquesne boro, 25x115, Fourth st 3,800
Moore Jno I et ux to F Blair Balmer, Dec 9, '02, Ben Avon boro, 44x84, Monitor ave 1,250

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Howorth Agnes ex to 23d wd, B. & L. A, Dec. 10, '02 ..... $ 1,500
Flint Wm S ex. to Columbus B & L A, Nov. 9, '02 500
Dietz Jacob to Penna B & L A, Dec. 8, '02 250
Hingler Albert to F Snyder, Dec. 6, '02 800
Riggs Louis W to Nora V Muncey, Nov. 17, '02 700
*Becker August to A B Jackson, Dec. 1, '02 3,350
Hedberg Andrew to Mich J McBride, Sept. 23, '02 2,150
*Gelson Wm E to Lucy W MacGonigle, Dec. 3, '02 1,000
See F H T to Teutonia Ins Co, Aug. 18, '02 200
Friel Wm ex to Jas E Young, July 10, '02 1,100
Jubeller Isaac to Jno Haley, Oct. 29, '02 1,000
*Mackintosh Robt B to W McDinsmore, Nov. 24, '02 69,000
Stoup Jno S to J E Young, Nov. 26, '02 500
*Campbell Robt M to E Pgh Imp Co, Nov. 14, '02 438
Shoemaker W R to same, Sept. 30, '02 1,534
*Balmer F B to Jno I Moore, Dec. 14, '02 3,500
Brown Nathaniel to D T Payne, Dec. 6, '02 2,000
*Balmer F B to H F. McCurdy, Dec. 5, '02 1,175
Marcus Benjamin ex. to Turtle Creek S Co, Nov. 29, '02 7,500
Barrett Geo W to Bellevue R S & Tr Co, Oct 7, '02 4,000
*Round David to J V Gilfillan ex., Dec. 10, '02 500
Wollett Thos D to Geo E Alter, Dec. 8, '02 2,000
Same to F. C Klein, Dec. 8, '02 2,200
Same to same, Dec. 8, '02 2,000
Wee Wm to Bennett H & B L & L A, Nov. 29, '02 1,000
Hertel Oswald to Mon. City Tr Co. Dec 1, '02 1,000
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FOR SALE—Allegheny property. W. L. Scott & Co., 300 Federal st. 'Phones No. 3.

Lots.

FOR SALE—$500 will buy good corner lot in East End; good location for grocery store.
JOHN P. RUSH,
St. Nicholas Bldg., 450 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—$900 will buy two nice lots together, 25x100 each, at West Pittsburgh;

MARKETS AGAIN IN THE DUMPS

Resumption of Liquidation in Wall Street Results in Lower Prices and Stocks Close Weak. Local Securities Declined.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

Wall street is again in the dumps, due to the resumption of liquidation in the stock market yesterday. There was nothing actually new in the money situation to cause the weakness, except that $1,000,000 gold was engaged for export to South America, and that the sub-treasury gained $880,000 more from the banks, making the loss to the latter from this source last Friday about $4,500,000. There was much disappointment at the evidence of long stocks being thrown overboard, because it had been hoped that the liquidation had been completed during the past three months. There was, therefore, some casting about for a reason for the apprehension which seemed to be poorly disguised. Probably from a recollection of the disastrous effects which followed President Cleveland's Venezuelan message of December 17, 1895, there was a disposition to attach some importance to the news that British and German forces had begun seizing Venezuelan property. This incident, however, can never become so serious as that of seven years ago, when "war talk" caused an advance to 80 per cent bid for call money, precipitated sales by London within one week of $20,000,000 American securities, drained New York of millions of gold, and caused numerous failures on the stocks exchange. Those were indeed dark days, but they will not be duplicated in the present instance.

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Another subject much nearer home was freely commented upon, and while it could not of itself have induced selling of investment stocks—and the latter suffered relatively more than the purely speculative issues yesterday—it was rather discouraging to the buying side. This was the announcement that the Pennsylvania railroad had just issued $10,000,000 4½ per cent certificates. This announcement was made on Monday, and was yesterday corrected by the statement that the issue was nothing new, having been authorized in February of this year, and that the entire amount had not yet been marketed. But the incident served to recall the enormous increase in capital issues by this corporation during the past year or so, and to provoke conjecture as to where it was all going to end. Last year the Pennsylvania stockholders authorized an increase of $100,000,000 in capital stock, and of this amount $50,500,800 was sold to stockholders at $60 a share, the principal and premium amounting to something like $61,000,000, and bringing the total amount of capital outstanding up to $296,572,350. In March of the present year the directors authorized an issue of $50,000,000 3½ per cent bonds, to bear date of November 1, 1902, and convertible into stock at $70 a share on or after May 1, 1904. The proceeds of the latter to the extent of $24,000,000 were for the purchase of additional cars and locomotives. All these expenditures aggregate an enormous sum of money, and if the latter were required for a system like the Pennsylvania, which has a reputation for maintaining its road and equipment at the highest degree of efficiency, the question naturally presents itself, what will be the probable future requirements of other large systems which have not been so progressive, and will these requirements be met by an issue of new securities that will come ahead of the present capital stock outstanding? The better grade of railway shares are selling upon an average basis of 4 per cent or less, and the prices are predicted on hopes of increased dividends on account of increased net earnings; but if the recent rate of increase in new capital issues is maintained the increased earnings will be required to meet additional interest and dividend requirements in increased stocks and bonds.

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The principal feature of the market yesterday, aside from its downward tendency, which became quite pronounced in the final dealings, was its broader character, the trading being pretty well distributed. The average net loss in leading railway shares was 1¾@2 per cent, but Louisville & Nashville, St. Paul, New York Central and Reading showed net losses of 3 per cent or more. The industrial list sympathized with the general weakness. New low-priced records were made for the year by United States Steel, the common declining to 34½ and the preferred to 82¾. The announcement of the election of the compromise board of directors representing all the factions in Colorado Fuel and Iron was followed by a break of 5 points in the stock to 80½. Amalgamated Copper sold below 55, and Sugar broke 3½ to 118½. A feeble rally occurred in the final dealings, but the tone of the market remained heavy.

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There was a falling off in the dealings in both stocks and bonds on the local board yesterday, and the tendency was downward, being influenced by the course of events in the east. The principal decline was in Westinghouse Electric second preferred, which sold at 98, and closed offering at 98½. Airbrake was nominally unchanged at 171. The steel stocks were dull and heavy. There were no sales of Crucible common, but the preferred declined to 84½ in the case of the announcement of the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent. United States Steel common declined $1 a share to 34¾ and was offered at that price at the close, while the preferred after selling in a small way at 83½, closed offering at 83 and without bid. Window Glass declined to 48¾, but received some support at the close, and the preferred sold unchanged at 90. Some weakness in National Fire Proofing preferred developed in the final dealings, the stock selling off to 38¾. The common was dull and nominally unchanged at 25. Coal stocks were only moderately active at slight changes in price.

In the banking group Dollar Savings Fund and Trust declined 3 points to 275, while Federal National bank was a fraction higher at 146. Fidelity Title and Trust was not mentioned, although the stockholders voted to double the capital stock, the new issue to be sold at $400 a share, the premium to be added to surplus account. Monongahela National bank was quoted at 250@300. The stockholders of this institution also voted to double the capital stock, the new issue to be sold at $300 a share. The bond list remained extremely dull and prices were unchanged.

Those Seeking

first-class, safe and sure bonds for profitable investment should make it an early point to scan the attractive list of investment securities for sale at the bond department of The Colonial Trust Co., 317 Fourth avenue.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 3,542 shares stock and $10,000 bonds. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

8 U. S. St'l pfd 83⅞ | 5 W. Airbrake..171
10 do ..... 83¾ | 5 do 171
50 Fireproof pfd 37 | 10 D. S. F. & T.275
50-50 do ..... 36⅝ | 15-20 do 275
50 Pgh Coal com 29⅝ | 3 Pgh. Coal pfd 88¾
50-100 do ..... 29⅝ | 50 W. Glass com 49
75 Brewing pfd. 47⅜ | 25-50 do 49
10 do ..... 47⅜ | 20 Fireproof com 25
1 W. Airbrake 172 | 20-20 do 25

10:30 a. m. to 12 m.

100 U. S. St'l pfd 83⅜ | 25 Brewing com. 30⅝
40 Con. Ice com 10¼ | 10 Electric 2nds. 99
150-25-10 do .... 10½ | 50-20 do 99
12 Crucible pfd. 84⅜ | 10 Pgh. Coal pfd 88¾
25-25-10 do .... 84¾ | 40 do 88¾
60 R. Coal com. 9⅞ | 100-40 do 88¾
200 do ..... 10 | 50 P. P. Glass..155
25 W. Glass com 49 | 20 Phila. com.... 47
25 do ..... 49¼ | 25 Luster 1½
25 Brewing com 30½ | 50 do 1¾⅝

12:30 to 2 p. m.

100 U.S. St'l com 35 | 50 W. Glass com 49¾
50 do ..... 35⅜ | 20 Federal N. B.146
100 do ..... 35 | 5 do 146
50 Brewing com. 30⅝ | 200 Pgh. Coal com 29⅝
100 R. Coal com. 10 | 200 do 29¾

2 to 3 p. m.

25 Federal N. B.146 | 50 Fireproof pfd. 36⅞
25 Crucible pfd. 84⅜ | 75 do 36¾
25 do ..... 84½ | 25 W. Glass pfd. 90
50 W. Glass com 49 | 20 Electric 2nds. 98
50 do ..... 48⅝ | 10 W. Airbrake..171
50-50 do ..... 48¾ | 100 Marsden 4½
50 U.S. St'l com 34⅝ | 10 Southside Tr..100
50 Fireproof pfd 36⅞ | 10 do 100⅛
50-25 do 36⅞

Bonds, Etc.

$8,000 B., K. & A. 6s .....116½ | $2,000 Brewing Co. 6s 113½

Summary.

SHARES.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
70 Brewing	30⅜	30⅜	30⅜	+⅛
85 Do pfd	47⅜	47⅜	47⅜	0
225 Con. Ice com.	10½	10½	10½	+⅛
100 Cruc. St'l pf.	84⅜	84½	84⅜	-⅛
60 Fire Proofing.	25	25	25	-⅛
400 Do pfd.....	37	36⅞	36⅞	-⅛
75 Luster Min..	1¾	1¾	1¾	0
100 Marsden	4½	4½	4½	+⅛
20 Phila Co. com	47	47	47	0
700 Pgh. Coal..	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	+⅛
50 P. Pl. Glass..	135	135	135	-1
360 Riv Coal com	10	9⅞	10	+⅛
300 U. S. Steel..	35¼	34⅞	34⅞	-1
115 Do pfd.....	*83¾	83½	83½	-½
21 West Air'ke	*172	171	171	0
100 W. Elec. 2ds.	99	98	98	-1½
425 Win. Glass..	49⅜	48⅝	48⅝	-¾
25 Do pfd.....	90	90	90	0
45 D. S. & T....	276	275	275	-3
50 Federal N. B	146	146	146	-3
20 South Side T.	100½	100	100½	+⅛
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BONDS.

$8000 B., K. & A.6s	116½	116½	116½	0
$2000 Brewing 6s...	113½	113½	113½	0
$10000				

*Eight shares or less.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Pgh. Bks.			All'y Bks.		
Arsenal	146	....	All'y Trust	150	158
Diamond.	400	....	Bk. Sc'd Sv	90	....
Dollar Sav.	275	....	D.S. F. & T	275	....
Fed'l N. Ct.	400	....	Nat. Gas.		
Peoples	400	450	P. N. Gas P	24	....
W. S. & D.	....	114½	M. L. & H. Electric.	....	90
Federal	144½	146	West. Ist.	....	98½
Trust Cos			Miscell'us.		
American	145½	147	Crucible St'l	18½	18⅝
Guarantee	140	144	Do pfd....	84⅝	84¾
Fennsylv'a	200	....	Mon. Water	....	39
Prudential	....	150	N. Fireproof	24¾	25
Real Est.	281	284	Do pfd....	36½	36⅝
S. D. & Tr	110	....	W. Airbrake	170½	171½
Co'wealth	230	234			

BONDS.

P., McK. & C. 1st 5s.	98	....		

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

STOCKS.				
Pgh. Bks.			Pgh. P. G.	132⅝	136⅞
A. W. G..	48½	49	U. S. Steel	35⅝	34¾
Do pfd..	89½	90⅝	Do pfd....	....	83
C on Ice pf	36¼	39½	BONDS		
M.R. C.&C.	9⅞	10	Con. Gas 5s	....	111½
Do pfd..	39⅝	....	M. R. & C. 6s....	112	112½
P.,B.& L.E.	....	35	Pgh. Brew. Ing. 6s...	113¾	....
Pgh. Brew.	30⅝	20⅜	P. & L. E. 1st 5s.	....	120½
Do pfd..	47	47⅝			
Pgh. Coal..	29½	29⅝			
Do pfd..	88¼	88⅞			

Columbus Stocks.

(Reported by McElroy & Boyle.)

C., D. & I.	52½	Grand Rapids St. Ry	52½
Columbus Gas ...107		Do preferred..	94½
Do preferred..103½		North. Ohio Trac.	64
Columbus St. Ry. 60½		Do preferred....	95
Do preferred..104½		Rochester St. Ry.	74
E.St.L.& S.St.Ry 52		Do preferred....	95½

Harper Post Elects Officers.

Maj. A. M. Harper post, 181, G. A. R., of Braddock, elected the following officers for the year: Commander, Henry J. Sharah; senior vice commander, John Hutzen; junior vice commander, Walter Collins; officer, Robert Owens; guard, W. H. Thompson; chaplain, the Rev. J. A. Miller; trustee, Henry Baughman; ordnance officer, B. F. Spangler; quartermaster, George F. House. Samuel Hart was elected delegate to the department encampment. An offer from Charley Dinkey, assistant superintendent of the Edgar Thomson steel works, to pay the rent for the headquarters of the post, was accepted.

"Rikk" Contains Alcohol.

Constable Jeremiah Lutz of Braddock, under instruction of the district attorney, has returned Harry Wenzel of Verona for the alleged selling of "Rikk," a new drink in this section. Lutz alleges that the liquid is an intoxicant and Wenzel will have to answer a charge of selling liquor without a license. The Pittsburgh testing laboratory tested some of the liquid and reported that it contains 4.59 per cent of alcohol.

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

Allouez	2¼	Michigan	7
Adventure	15¾	Mohawk	74½
Amalgamated	55⅛	Osceola.	50
Arcadian	4	Old Dominion	15
Atlantic	6½	Parrot	23
*Black Diamond.	3	Quincy	103
Bingham	26½	Range Cons....	55
Calumet & Ariz.	94	Rhode Island....	1⅝
Calumet & Hecla	425	†Swift	120
Centennial	15½	*Trimountain	35
Calumet & Pgh..	75	*Trinity	15½
Elm River	1¼	Tamarack	142
Franklin	8¼	Utah	23
Greene	5½	U. S. Mining	21¼
L. S. & P. Dev.	80	Victoria	4¾
Mass	1½	Wolverine	57½
Mohawk	38	Winona	95

*Asked. †Ex-dividend.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con	.20	Little Chief	.03
Alice	.20	Ontario	6.00
Breece	.40	Ophir	1.30
Brunswick Con..	.03	Phoenix	.05
Comstock Tunnel	.04½	Potosi	.10
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.25	Savage	.10
Horn Silver	1.25	Small Hopes	.30
Iron Silver	.85	Standard	3.20
Leadville Con ..	.05		

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Notwithstanding a decline of 12s 6d in the London tin market, where both spot and futures closed at £112 5s the local market was firmer and closed 5 points higher at 25¾@25¾ 95. Copper also was lower in London, spot there closing at £59 13s 9d and futures at £61 1s 3d. Locally it was dull and unchanged, but nominal. Standard was quoted at $10 75; lake, $11 65, and electrolytic and casting, $11 40. Lead was quiet and unchanged here at $4 12½ and in London at £10 13s 9d. Spelter also was dull and unchanged. London remaining at £19 17s 6d and New York at $4 95. Iron was lower abroad, Glasgow closing at 53s 9d and Middlesboro at 47s 10½d. The local iron market is rather easier in tone, but it dull and without quotable changes. Warrants are nominal. No. 1 foundry, northern, is quoted at $23 00@23 00; No. 2 foundry, northern, No. 1 foundry, southern, and No. 1 foundry, southern soft, at $22 00@23 00.

CONDITION OF THE BANKS.

Comparative Statements Received from Institutions in Eight Leading Cities.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—The reports of the condition of national banks by cities under the call issued by Comptroller Ridgeley are being received and compiled in the office of the comptroller of the currency. The last call was for the condition on November 25. Comparison of per cent held by the banks in the cities named is made with the last previous call of September 15, 1902:

Legal reserve held:	1902. Nov. 25 Pct.	Sept. 15 Pct.
Brooklyn	24.49	22.79
Baltimore	27.68	27.08
New Orleans	27.09	23.95
St. Paul	24.57	24.19
New York	28.41	24.70
Indianapolis	26.35	25.85
Cincinnati	24.09	24.32
Louisville	25.09	24.50
Philadelphia	23.41	25.62
Pittsburgh	22.86	21.12
Boston	25.71	24.41
St. Louis	24.80	24.15
Cleveland	24.27	22.50
Milwaukee	24.43	23.75
Detroit	25.09	25.36
Minneapolis	21.47	22.86
Chicago	24.38	21.89
Dallas	26.15	24.87

It will be seen at a glance from the following figures how deposits in national banks in the cities named have declined since September 15 last:

Deposits:	1902. Nov. 25.	Sept. 15.
Brooklyn	$ 13,589,000	$ 15,455 000
Baltimore	31,802,000	48,775,000
New Orleans	15,571,000	15,388,000
St. Paul	15,777,000	21,578,000
New York	742,597,000	754,478,000
Indianapolis	16,506,000	23,753,000
Cincinnati	28,950,000	49,599,000
Louisville	16,417,000	19,233,000
Philadelphia	127,041,000	198,993,000
Pittsburgh	80,114,000	115,219,000
Boston	135,496,000	178,973,000
St. Louis	48,228,000	77,554,000
Cleveland	25,640,000	44,845,000
Milwaukee	17,110,000	32,275,000
Detroit	15,065,000	20,901,000
Minneapolis	14,405,000	21,152,000
Chicago	128,425,000	209,505,000
Dallas	6,718,000	6,668,000

Loans show up quite well by comparison as shown by the figures here presented:

Loans:	1902. Nov. 25.	Sept. 15.
Brooklyn	$ 12,341,000	$ 12,968,000
Baltimore	46,311,000	46,637,000
New Orleans	16,041,000	14,514,000
St. Paul	15,533,000	14,514,000
New York	607,300,000	607,058,000
Indianapolis	16,376,000	16,550,000
Cincinnati	27,236,000	27,236,000
Louisville	13,856,000	14,188,000
Philadelphia	147,588,000	153,088,000
Pittsburgh	108,422,000	109,958,000
Boston	168,797,000	165,895,000
St. Louis	85,258,000	87,944,000
Cleveland	46,522,000	48,212,000
Milwaukee	24,828,000	24,663,000
Detroit	16,587,000	16,967,000
Minneapolis	15,948,000	18,845,000
Chicago	171,850,000	185,032,000
Dallas	6,813,000	6,606,000

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Fidelity Title and Trust Company stockholders vote to double the stock to $2,000,000.

Monongahela National Bank stockholders vote to double the stock to $1,000,000.

Bank exchanges fall off $1,800,000 for the day.

United States Steel common declined to 34¾, and the preferred was offered at 83.

Electric declined to 98, and Window Glass to 48¾.

Tone of the market at the close rather heavy.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day were 572,000 shares.

Trading took on new life, but declines were experienced in the last half hour.

Railroads were active, including Pennsylvania, but losses were sustained at the close.

Inroads were made upon the money market by gold shipments.

New York exchange fell back to 10 cents premium.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At a social meeting of the stockholders of the Fidelity Title and Trust Company yesterday the proposition of the board to increase the capital from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 was unanimously approved. The new stock will be sold at $400 a share, payable in 10 per cent monthly installments, beginning December 31. The premium of $3,000,000 will be added to surplus, increasing the latter to $4,061,000. The stockholders of the Monongahela National bank also unanimously approved the proposition to increase the capital from $500,000 to $1,000,000. The new stock will be sold at $300 a share, and the premium added to surplus, making a total of capital and surplus exceeding $2,500,000.

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President Havemeyer of the American Sugar Company is quoted as denying that the company will take over the American Beet Sugar Company.

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There is considerable divergence in the reports brought back by Pittsburgh bankers who have gone to New York to obtain a close view of the money market situation. The president of one national bank who returned on Monday stated that he did not find any apprehension existing in the east. The banks had estimated the requirements for the end of the year settlements, had prepared for the same, and while money was likely to continue firm around present rates for the next five or six weeks, there would be an easing up by the end of that period. Another banker who returned yesterday stated that he found considerable anxiety among eastern bankers; that the liquidation in the stock market was not completed, and that Wall street would be fortunate if it escaped a stock panic at the end of the year.

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Northern Securities, which on Tuesday had been the leader of the curb market in New York, suffered with the rest of the market yesterday, closing 2¾ per cent lower at 108 bid.

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A veteran in the street made the statement yesterday that he did not recall the time when the firmness in the money market had been so prolonged as this year. There had been occasions when the call rate on the stock exchange had ruled at 25 to 75 per cent, but this was for a few days only. For fully three months there has been a 5@6 per cent call money market. Here in Pittsburgh there has been more shifting of loans within this period than for many years past. While the 5 for a stiff 6 per cent rate has been quoted since last September. He offered two possible explanations. One was that there was something under the surface, known to the great banking houses, but unknown to the general public. The other was that the so-called conservative financiers in the east were not yet done with the "western crowd," and would hold the money market taut until the element was forced to leave the street. He thought he saw evidence of manipulation through which the "western crowd" had been whipsawed, and he thought these tactics would be continued until the object had been accomplished. They have been hints for several weeks past that the first of the year would witness some changes in recently prominent Wall street houses.

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There are several important legal cases affecting different systems pending and nearing a decision. Should they be in favor of the enterprises interested, it would go far toward giving the entire eastern market a better tone.

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Rock Island securities were weak features in the eastern market yesterday, much to the chagrin of holders who had bought on the recently published earnings showing more than a 13 per cent rate on the common stock.

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It is estimated that January interest and dividend disbursements will aggregate $40,000,000. Payments on railroad, industrial and miscellaneous concerns during the current year by months follow: January, $132,813,748; February, $59,089,911; March, $56,781,550; April, $78,668,734; May, $58,705,161; June, $47,476,604; July, $139,463,383; August, $61,042,822; September, $42,093,598; October, $81,846,791; November, $65,886,028, and December, $50,632,149, a total of $867,688,885.

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Mr. A. A. Lisman, recognized as an authority on municipal securities and a very shrewd judge of all securities, prophesies that the next reorganization period in this country will see will be the reorganization period of the interurban transit companies. The basis of his argument is the striking fact that these companies, unlike the New York companies as examples, earn their fixed charges chiefly by falling to appropriate a reasonable amount per mile for maintenance and improvements. It is worth remembering that this identical method wrecked Erie, Union Pacific and Wabash.

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A small lot of Ohio Fuel Supply sold on the local board at 28.

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Only three Lake Superior copper mines paid dividends this year, a remarkable record for a year of general business prosperity, especially as the amount paid aggregated but $3,450,000—less than one-half of what was paid in 1901 by six companies and comparing with $12,318,000 by five Lake Superior companies in 1899.

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"In the profits of this vast industry it is calculated that the United States Steel Corporation's share is 70 per cent, that this proportion means about $140,000,000 for the year, and that the latter represents some $50,000,000 free and clear of all expenses, interest, sinking funds, depreciation, preferred stock dividends and common stock dividends, or about 10 per cent more for the common than the common will get. If such an exhibit of trade conditions, of trade outlook, of net earnings and surplus, is not enough to establish the fact that the Steel stocks are fabulously cheap at 34 and 36, then nothing would fill the bill. They are not only cheap, but bargains."—New York Stockholder.

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Pittsburgh & Charleroi 5s were quoted at 105 bid.

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After the close of the market a Wall street house wired this to Pittsburgh: "Banks are again closely scrutinizing loans and are discriminating against securities which were freely accepted in loans a short time ago. This influence has caused considerable liquidation and the idea that is very prevalent that money is going to rule high over the first of the year is also an unfavorable factor. The market certainly looks pretty weak and has every indication of selling lower."

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The decline in the Steel stocks prompted this wire from a New York broker: "I am very much afraid that some day some one will put in a big selling order in the Steel stocks. The market in them has become very limited, and it would not take much to put them down, which would cause great distress."

Dividends Declared.

The Allegheny Real Estate Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent, payable on and after December 15.

The Crucible Steel Company has declared the ninth quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on the preferred stock, payable December 29, to stock of record December 18.

Directors of American Beet Sugar have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 2 to stock of record December 20.

The directors of the United Railways Investment Company of San Francisco have declared a dividend of 1½ per cent on the preferred, payable January 3, to stockholders of record at the closing of the books December 20.

The directors of United States Realty & Construction Company have declared the quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on preferred stock. This is the initial dividend on the preferred stock. The dividend is payable January 1.

Directors of the Mergenthaler Linotype Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent and an extra dividend of 5 per cent. The extra dividend last year was 3½ per cent. The dividends are payable December 31.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High	Low	Close
25000	A., T. & S. Fe..	82⅛	82⅛	80½	80⅞
5765	Do preferred..	95⅝	98⅜	97½	97½
	Am. Cotton Oil.	45½	46⅛	44⅞	44½
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	94½
24600	Am. Sug. Ref..	121⅜	121⅝	118½	118⅞
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	113½
500	Am. Locomotive.	27⅝	27⅞	27	27
300	Do preferred..	91½	91½	91	90½
1000	Am. Car Found.	34½	34½	34	33⅝
300	Do preferred..	89	90	89	88½
	American Can ..	....	....	....	9½
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	43½
33300	Amalga. Copper.	57⅜	57⅞	54⅝	55¼
	Anaconda Cop..	....	....	....	86
2900	Am. Smelt & Ref	38⅞	38⅞	38	38¼
300	Do preferred..	91	91	91	90½
	American Ice ..	....	....	....	20¼
	Do preferred..	37⅜	37⅝	37	37
16200	Balto. & Ohio..	98	98	95⅝	95⅝
300	Do preferred..	94	94	93½	93
21700	Brook. Rap. Tr.	64⅛	64½	61⅝	61¾
10400	Canadian Pacific	125	128	120¼	120¼
5200	Chi. Gt. West..	25¼	25⅛	24	24
2400	Consolidated Gas	209⅝	210½	208¼	208
200	C., C., C. & St. L	96¼	96¼	95	94½
3300	Cons. & Ohio..	46	46	44⅝	44⅝
1100	Chicago & Alton	33⅝	33⅝	33	32
200	Do preferred..	71	71	70¼	70
100	Chi. & N'wn....	....	....	....	217
1800	C. R. I. & P....	85½	85½	80½	81
	Corn Product ..	25⅜	25⅜	24	24¼
	Do preferred..	83	81	80½	80½
2500	Col. Southern ..	30	30⅜	28⅛	28⅜
700	Do 1st pfd.....	69⅜	69⅜	68	67½
400	Do 2nd pfd.....	45⅞	45½	44¼	43
	D., L. & West..	....	....	....	12
300	Dela. & Hudson.	158½	158½	158½	155
13200	Erie	33½	33⅝	32½	32¼
1400	Do 1st pfd.....	64	64	63½	63¼
2500	Do 2nd pfd.....	45⅜	45⅜	44⅛	44⅛
2100	General Electric	178	178	174½	175
4500	Hocking Valley..	101	101	98⅝	98⅝
1200	Do preferred..	96⅞	96⅞	95¾	96
5500	Illinois Central	143½	143½	141¼	142
100	Iowa Central....	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛	38
200	Do preferred..	68	68	68	66
	Inter. Paper ..	....	....	....	17⅜
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	71½
	L. & N. West ..	....	....	....	117
5800	Louis. & Nash..	125⅜	125⅝	122⅝	122⅝
14100	Manhattan	147⅞	147⅞	144½	145⅜
15700	Metropolitan	106	106	104	104¼
200	M., K. & T. pfd.	55½	55⅝	55	55
3900	Metropolitan	139¼	139¼	137⅜	137⅝
200	Mexican Central.	21⅝	21⅝	21¼	21¼
1800	New York Air B.	26¼	26¾	25¾	25½
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	50
200	National Biscuit.	45	45	45	45
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	101½
21400	N. Y. Central ..	154	154	150¾	151
3000	N. Y. Ont. & W.	29¼	29¼	28	28¼
4100	Norfolk & West.	70¼	70¼	69	68⅞
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	92½
	North American.	....	....	....	112
	Omaha	....	....	....	280
2700	Peoples Gas	100¾	100⅝	100¼	100¼
	Pacific Mail ..	....	....	....	38½
100	Pullman	230	230	220	228
500	Pressed Stl. Car	59	59½	58½	58
300	Do pfd.....	92¾	92¾	91	91
41600	Penna. R. R....	156⅛	156⅛	153	153⅛
	P.C.C. & St. L.	....	....	....	90
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	100
	Railway Springs	....	....	....	34
	Do preferred..	86½	86½	80½	83¼
30800	Reading	58⅞	58⅝	55¾	56
600	Do 1st pfd.....	....	....	....	84½
	Do 2d pfd.....	74½	74½	74	73⅝
15850	Rock Island	41⅞	41⅞	39½	39½
3450	Do preferred..	81⅝	81⅝	80½	80½
1200	Republic I. & S.	28½	28½	28½	28½
200	Do preferred..	77⅞	77⅞	....	77
1000	St. L. & S. F.	71½	71½	70½	70½
	Do 1st pfd	....	....	....	78
900	Do 2nd pfd	70⅜	70⅜	69	69¼
19000	Southern Pacific	62¾	62⅝	60¾	60¾
2900	Southern Ry....	31⅝	31⅝	31	31
100	Do preferred..	....	....	....	91½
39800	St. Paul	172⅜	172⅛	169½	169⅝
1200	Do preferred..	....	....	....	185
300	St. L. & S. W.	26½	26½	26	26
1900	Do preferred..	61½	61½	60⅜	60
1300	Tenn. Coal & I.	58¾	58¾	54⅝	54⅝
4200	Texas Pacific ..	26⅝	26⅝	24⅝	24⅝
100	T., St. L. & W.	27½	27½	27½	27
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	44½
20300	U. S. Steel	35½	35¼	34¼	34¼
13500	Do preferred..	83⅞	83½	82¼	82⅜
32200	Union Pacific ..	96⅜	97¼	93⅝	93⅝
600	Do preferred..	92	92	91⅞	91
100	U. S. Rubber....	16	16	16	16
1000	U. S. Leather..	12¼	12¼	12	12
500	Do preferred..	89⅜	89⅜	88½	88
	U. S. C. I. P. ..	....	....	....	12
	Do preferred..	....	....	....	45
	U. S. R. & C....	21⅜	22¼	21½	21½
	Do preferred..	67¼	68	67¼	68
2100	Wabash	28¼	28¾	26½	26¾
1600	Do preferred..	41⅞	42¼	40¾	40
900	W. U. Telegraph	87⅜	87⅞	87½	87⅜
800	Wheel & L. E..	23	23	22¾	22⅝
	Do 1st pfd	....	....	....	68
100	Do 2d pfd.....	32	32	32	32
600	Wisconsin Cent..	25¼	25¼	25½	24½
400	Do preferred..	50¼	50¼	49½	49

Total sales, 572,000.

Electric Stocks.

West. common.... 98 | Mass. Electric 35
General Electric...174 | Do preferred 94

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U. S. ref. 2s reg 107⅝ | N. & N. unif. 4s 101⅝
Do coupon....108⅛ | Mex. Central 4s.. 78
U. S. 3s reg....107⅜ | Do 1st inc. 23½
Do coupon....107⅝ | M. & St. P. 4s..102½
U. S. new 4s reg.133½ | M. K. & T. 4s... 98
Do coupon.... 135½ | Do 2ds 81½
U. S. old 4s reg.108⅜ | N. J. Cent. 1sts.102

SALES BRING FIRMER IRON AND STEEL PRICES

Change Might Alarm Owners of Independent Finishing Mills but Is Not Believed to Be Lasting. Corporation Dealing for Cheaper Iron.

Prices were slightly firmer the past week in all transactions of any importance in the iron and steel trade. Some anxious buyers came into the market and paid more than the basis of negotiations which had been for contracts of more importance. It is only a fluctuation and does not indicate that the producers of raw materials will continue to hold prices at figures so that independent finishing mills cannot meet the low selling prices of the steel corporation.

With the corporation concerns in the tin and plate and sheet trades operating to a short volume of their capacities, and a determination to meet trade conditions, the next year is certain to bring some interesting developments. The leading tin plate producer expects in that time to put into commission at important plants a new system, which is to materially reduce labor costs, and in this way will continue to keep the lead, and many an independent operation will have to cease until some means is found to offset the advantage of the heaviest producer.

Waiting for Developments.

The independent mills producing finished and partly finished materials are waiting for developments, holding that the producers of raw material must have their trade, and that the curtailed production of blast furnaces and steel mills will not continue beyond the first quarter of next year. By that time they must have easier prices or drop out of the market.

These things are already gradually working out in most lines. Pig iron is now cheaper than the upward trend indicated a month ago; billets are cheaper, although sales in both these lines in the past week brought out some slightly higher prices. Steel rods, iron and steel skelp and muck bar are cheaper. Independent sheet mills are shading slightly the prices of the leading producer, this when they have stocks that they want to be rid of for the stock taking. The move is nothing like a radical reduction which will bring lower prices from the heavier producer.

The Union Steel Company and the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company are planning aggressive moves to meet the policy of the steel corporation. These moves are now mainly in plans for independent ore and coke roads which will aid them in reaching the markets.

Aggressive Expenditure.

The Union company is arranging to throw $18,000,000 of fresh capital into its enterprise by selling that amount of an authorized bond issue of $25,000,000, making the proposed security issue of the company $51,000,000 out of $75,000,000 authorized.

The Union company plans to enter the production of rails, as the Jones & Laughlin company has been considering the same move for a long time, having already arranged for the erection of mills to be operated on billets or rails as desired.

These people are secure in their future, but the little fellows have to figure on a hand-to-mouth system about their supplies of raw material at prices which will enable them to meet the prices of the concerns having their own raw materials, starting with ore, coal and limestone.

The Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company is another of the independents that is fairly well intrenched with supplies of raw materials. All of them are figuring for these things, one of the formidable obstacles being to get in the northwest bodies of ore which will be of quality to justify operations. Through this much ore property which a few years ago the operators would not touch has been taken up in the northwest.

Big Order Went Abroad.

The rail market is inactive, but firm, as a matter of course, the producers having sold most of their output for next year. The domestic producers now have booked 1,000,000 tons for next year's delivery. Just recently a contract for 150,000 tons for the new road of the Kansas City, Gulf & Orient was refused by the Steel Corporation interests and all other domestic producers, because of the specifications calling for an early start on deliveries.

Bessemer pig iron, amounting to 20,000 tons, was sold in the past week at $21 50 a ton for delivery in the first half of the new year, and 15,000 tons of billets were sold for delivery in the same period, the basic open hearth at $31 and the Bessemer at $30, maker's mill. These transactions are at prices above those of recent negotiations, in most cases for a more important volume of business.

The leading producer of coke is taking no more contracts and is said to be holding the little left of next year's production to trade for the outside supply of pig iron which these interests require. Spot foundry coke in carlots is bringing $7 to $8 a ton at the ovens.

Some Coke Prices.

Contracts of lesser importance for deliveries in the first quarter of the new year have been closed as high as $7 a ton. On foundry contracts, as they usually run, the prices running through the next year and the first half, range from $5 50 a ton. Larger contracts for the entire year have been closed at $5 25 a ton. Prompt furnace coke can be sold at $5 50 to $6 a ton.

Furnaces are running with short supplies of coke. On Monday the shipments were such that now the operations are more general than in a long time, there being closed down only about six of the merchant furnaces of the valleys, but for two days past there have been practically no shipments of coke to these interests, and many more stacks will be down by the end of the week.

The Bessemer pig iron market is waiting. The Steel Corporation is said to be asking what would be a radically low price on a large contract for iron in exchange for coke. The price proposed would be much below the market, according to this report, when the corporation's contract coke price of $3 a ton is considered. The Bessemer association did not sell over 30,000 tons of iron last month, the waiting market and the short production and consequent tardiness of deliveries leaving the producers with contracts taken for this year's delivery unfilled to the extent of a normal production for two months.

Few Mills Want Forge Iron.

There are not over a half-dozen concerns in the Pittsburgh market today for forge iron. The nominal price for next year's deliveries is $21 to $21 50 a ton.

In foundry iron there also is absolute lack of transactions. One sale of 500 tons of No. 1 iron for shipment this month brought $25 50 a ton, Pittsburgh.

The steel market is inactive, except for the unrelated sales of 15,000 tons at $30 for open hearth and $31 for Bessemer. There is no dealing in sheet and tin plate here.

The rod market is very quiet and the price hovers around $55 a ton for Bessemer steel rods.

The week has developed little new in the muck bar market, but buyers are unwilling to pay over $35 for immediate wants. Some of the few mills having this material to offer are asking $34, with intimation that they can shade it.

The skelp market in both iron and steel is fairly active for the wider sizes. The prices on iron skelp range from $1 92½ to $2 10, and on steel from an even lower figure than iron for the narrow sizes and as high as $2 15 for the wider, which is scarce.

There is dealing to place some substantial bar iron contracts, but the disposition of the heavy producers to hold to $1 80 the 100 pounds, while the consumers want a price of $1 70, blocks transactions.

Prices on Rails.

Rail prices are as follows: On standard sections, $28 for 200-ton and larger lots; $29 for carlots; $32 for less than carlots; $37 in car and larger lots for 30, 35, 40 and 45-pound; $38 for 20 and 25-pound; $40 for 16-pound, and as high as $47 for 12-pound and $55 for 8-pound.

The steel bar market is dragging somewhat and mills can deliver in from two to six weeks. Pittsburgh mills sold about 6,000 tons in the week past, at $1 60 the 100 pounds for Bessemer, and $2 a ton higher for basic open-hearth bars.

The structural mills, being crowded with business, are offered premiums as high as $8 a ton for immediate deliveries, and $5 for deliveries in the first months of next year. Heavy contract business, starting early in the year and running well into it in delivery specifications, are closed at the base prices, as follows: Beams and channels, 3 to 15-inch, $1 60 for 100 pounds; beams, 18 to 20-inch, $1 70 for 100 pounds; angles, 3 to 6-inch, $1 65 for 100 pounds; tees, 3 to 6-inch, $1 65 for 100 pounds.

The demand continues urgent for steel plates. Immediate deliveries would bring premiums of $8 a ton and early urgent deliveries next year $5 and more. The Pittsburgh producers sold about 12,000 tons in the week past. The base prices continue to range from $1 60 the 100 pounds on tank plates.

Crucible and Other Prices.

Steel hoops are in fair defand at $1 90 the 100 pounds for lots of 200 tons and more, and $2 on lesser lots.

A fair current business continues to swell the heavy orders running many months ahead of the producers of the finer merchant and crucible steel. Prices remain as follows: Tire steel, $2 15 to $2 25 for 100 pounds; spring steel, $2 25 to $2 35; toe calk, $2 30 to $2 40. On less than 2,000 tons of a variety and not less than 1,000 tons, these prices are subject to an additional 10 cents on the price for 100 pounds, and on less than 1,000 tons, 20 cents. Gold-rolled shafting quotations continue at 47 per cent off list in car and larger lots, and 42 per cent on less than carlots.

There is a growing demand for old material and sales of the past week brought a recovery of the prices which had been shaded the week before. A thousand tons of heavy steel melting stock was sold at $22 a ton; 900 tons of No. 1 cast iron scrap at $20; 500 tons of No. 1 wrought iron scrap at $22. Other prices make he market on borings, $12 50; old iron rails, $25 50 to $26; old steel rails, $22; steel rails for rerolling, $24 to $24 50.

Tin Plates and Sheets.

There has been a fair movement in tin plate with no indication of an early change of the price of $3 60 the 100-pound box for standard plates at mill, in large lots to jobbers.

The sheet market shows few developments, except that some independent producers have been shading prices slightly to get rid of stocks. The quotations of the leading producer, $3 10 to $3 20 for the year, fixes figures ranging from $2 75 the 100 pounds on the No. 28 gauge black sheets, and $3 85 on galvanized, of the same grade.

Most of the wire and nail mills are active and the trade is rather promising under the inviting low prices, $1 90 a keg for wire nails at mill; $1 80 for 100 pounds of plain wire and $2 20 for galvanized.

Many of the smaller independent producers of steel and wrought iron pipe have little promise of continuing operations beyond the period of old contracts unless they get lower prices on their raw materials.

Pipe Discounts.

The discounts to the jobbers by the leading producer are as follows:

MERCHANT PIPE.		
Steel.	Black. Pc.	Galv. Pc.
⅛, ¼ and ⅜-inch	68	58
½-inch	70	60
⅝ to 6-inch	75	65
7 to 12-inch	73	63
Wrought Iron.	Black. Pc.	Galv. Pc.
⅛, ¼ and ⅜-inch	65	55
½-inch	67	57
⅝ to 3-inch	72	62
7 to 12-inch	70	60

For short lengths, extra strong plain ends, threads and threads and coupling, the prices are higher.

BOILER TUBES.		
	Steel. Pc.	Iron. Pc.
1 to 1½ inches	45	30½
2¼ to 3 inches	62½	45½
1¾ to 2¼ and 6 to 13 inches	52½	35½
CASING.		Pc.
2 to 3 inches		58
3½ to 4 inches		60
4½ to 12½ inches		65

The hardware market continues strong, a large amount of business going, and orders coming in in large volume and for good quantities, showing that business is to continue right along as reported from time to time. House furnishing goods, of course, are having a very large amount of attention at this time of the year, as the demand for home comforts is a demand that has to be met.

In the Hardware Trade.

Builders' hardware continues to move in very good volume, as do tools for carpenters and other mechanics. There is a very good business continuing in paints, colors and varnishes, and this will continue as long as the open weather lasts.

Window glass also is going out very freely. A large demand exists for nails and wire. Prices all along the line are firm, and indications seem favorable for advances. The Bindley Hardware Company furnishes the following quotations:

Wire nails, $1 60 in carlots; $2 base, in less than carlots; cut nails $2 65 in carlots; $2 20 base, in less than carlots; plain galvanized wire, $2 15 in carlots; $2 25 base, in less than carlots; galvanized barbed wire, $2 35 in carlots; $2 65 base, in less than carlots. Other sizes usual advance. Columbia pocket knives, discount of 35 per cent; Albion hatchets, discount 50 per cent; Stevens shotguns and rifles, discount 25 per cent; Bindley canal shovels, $6 50 a dozen; Great Western flick, discount 10 and 10 per cent; window glass, discount 88 and 10 per cent in carlots and 90 per cent in carlots; galvanized sheet iron, discount 70 per cent.

BLAST FURNACE REPORT SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Coke Shortage Only Thing in Way of New Record Being Made—Steel Works Short of Metal.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Iron Age will say tomorrow: Our monthly blast furnace report reflects the peculiar conditions which affect the local branch of the industry. A very considerable number of furnaces have started, chiefly in the districts affected by the anthracite coal strike, but the November product was not up to the normal, because of the continued trouble with the coke supply. Our coke and anthracite iron capacity is now up to 836,617 tons per week, an increase of about 6,500 tons per week over last month. There is little doubt that if the furnaces had a chance to run full those now in operation could make close to 350,000 tons per week, which would be above the record.

As it is, the steel works notably are short of metal, and it appears that some of the larger plants east of the Alleghany mountains have purchased round lots of foreign Bessemer pig for early delivery at about $20 25 ex-ship duty paid. There has also been purchased quite a fair tonnage of low phosphorous pig. On the other hand, importers of foundry iron have done very little in European markets lately, and are holding off, the result being a further weakening of values. Thus Middlesborough No. 3 can now be sold at a profit in cargo lots at $17 75 cash.

In the domestic market the feature of interest is the resumption of negotiations between the leading interest and the Bessemer association, which have not, however, led to anything as yet. Some moderate lots of Bessemer pig have sold at Pittsburgh, and a good tonnage of basic pig has been placed with eastern consumers. In foundry iron, Chicago notes a shortage of maleable for prompt delivery, but on the whole the markets are quiet.

The selling of foreign billets has been resumed, and we can report transactions in 1,000 and 2,000 ton lots, chiefly for Atlantic coast delivery, aggregating about 10,000 to 12,000 tons. It is worthy of note that the German steel works are engaged in negotiations to place the export sales of steel in the hands of their syndicate which makes the sales of steel for the domestic market. This has already strengthened the market, and today the lowest figure named for German steel billets, ex-ship, duty paid, is $26 75 to $27.

The rail mills have now accumulated orders for next year to the extent of 1,800,000 tons, to which must be added the amount of orders which will be carried over from this year, a quantity on which estimates vary, but many importers are in receipt of some round inquiries, both for domestic and Canadian account.

The structural mills continue to receive good orders, among those recently placed being 12,000 tons for a bank building in Chicago. The plate trade is congested with work. A meeting of the manufacturers is to be held in this city, at which the percentages of participation for next year will be discussed.

Very good accounts are being received of the sheet trade, and bar mills seem to be going well. The sheet trade, however, is still in rather a poor condition, and prices are suffering.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CENTRAL STOCK YARDS,
Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1902.

Cattle—Supply light; market steady; choice 1,400 to 1,600 lbs., $4 90@5 10; prime, $4 80 to 1,400 lbs., $5 00@5 75; good, $4 20@4 80; 1,200 to 1,300 lbs., $5 25@5 50; tidy, 1,000 to 1,150 lbs., $4 35@5 00; fair, 900 to 1,000 lbs., $3 90@4 30; common, 600 to 800 lbs., $2 50@3 85; bulls and mon, 600 to 800 lbs., $2 50@3 85; bulls and stags, $3 00@4 50; common to good fat cows, $1 75@4 00; heifers, 700 to 1,100 lbs., $2 00@4 00; best fresh cows, $40 00@55 00; common to good, $20 00@35 00.

Sheep—Supply fair; market steady on sheep; strong on lambs; best wethers, $5 to 100 lbs., $5 00@4 10; good mixed, $5 to 90 lbs., $4 50@4 75; fair, 75 to 80 lbs., $2 50@4 00; culls and common to good, $3 50@5 50; veal calves, $7 00@8 25; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

Hogs—Fifteen double decks received; market active and 5 to 10c higher; prime heavy hogs, $6 45@6 50; mediums, $6 15@6 25; heavy Yorkers, $6 10@6 15; light Yorkers, $6 00@6 00; pigs, $5 90@6 00; roughs, $5 00@6 00.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,812 head; steers steady to 10c lower; generally weak; steady; bulls and cows unchanged; steers, $4 00@5 85; extra, $6 25; oxen and stags, $3 40@5 50; bulls, $2 50@4 40; cows, $1 40@4 10; cables unchanged; shipments, 800 head cattle, 4,000 sheep and 5,300 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 1,122 head; firm to 25c higher for veals; grassers and western weak to lower; veals, $5 50@7 50; buttermilks, $5 25@5 75; westerns, $5 00@4 20; city dressed veals, 11@14c. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 6,387 head; sheep 10@15c higher; some extra, $4 75@5 00; lambs 25c higher; some extra, $7 75@8 25; choice and extra, $4 87½@4 90; culls, $2 00@2 50; lambs $4 75@6 25; culls, $4 00@4 50; no Canadian lambs on sale. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000 head; steady; prime, $6 25@6 35; no westerns on sale.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 10,200 head natives, 800 head Texans, calves, 100 head Texans, dull; native steers, 10@25c lower; western cows strong, 10c lower; natives 10@25c lower; best stockers steady, others lower; choice export and dressed beef steers, $5 30@5 60; fair to good, $4 50@5 25; western steers, $3 00@4 00; westerns and feeders, $3 00@4 00; western fed steers, $3 00@5 30; Texas and Indian steers, $2 50@4 25; native heifers, $3 00@5 50; canners, $1 00@2 45; bulls, $2 00@3 75; calves, $2 25@6 00. Hogs—Receipts, 9,000 head; market 10@15c higher; top, $6 15; bulk of sales, $6 00@6 10; heavy, $6 10@6 15; packers, $6 00@6 25; lights, $5 95@6 20; Yorkers, $6 15@6 20; pigs, $5 50@6 07½. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 6,000 head; steady; top lambs, $5 00; yearlings, $4 75; ewes, $4 00@4 25; sheep, top mixed, $3 65@4 00; culls to good, $1 75@3 60.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 10.—Hogs active, higher, $4 85@5 50; common to good, $2 00@5 10; sheep active, higher, $1 75@3 75. Lambs strong, $4 00@5 35.

ADVANCED PRICES PREVAIL FOR CORN

Large Demand for Holiday Candies—Poultry Supply a Shade More Plentiful.

Not unexpectedly a sharp advance occurred in the corn market yesterday. The situation has been gaining strength recently and an upward movement has been imminent all week, holders stiffening up considerably in their askings, while those short as to supplies have been hunting cover. Offerings on change yesterday morning were firmly held and brought out some lively bidding. There was no change in oats, which are steady, but no higher. Timothy hay is strong at the advance of Tuesday, and receipts continue too light to cause any apprehension of weakness, sellers rather looking for other advances. Millfeed is unchanged, with not much arriving, and straw is steady, with demand moderately active.

There was a sharp upward movement in the Chicago wheat market and local flour dealers are watching the situation with some interest. As matters appeared yesterday morning it looked as though flour should be advanced from 10 to 15 cents a barrel, but the ways of the wheat pit are too uncertain to be accepted unhesitatingly, and there is now a condition of waiting to see if the wheat advance has the elements of stability before putting up flour prices.

Large Holiday Candy Sales.

Demand for holiday goods in the grocery line is showing marked increase every day, an immense movement of candies having started. The buyer for 45 associated stores in as many small towns in this territory is reported to have placed an order for 50 tons of candy. All retailers are either purchasing, or have already covered their wants in this line, while churches and other large holiday buyers are in the field. Many manufacturers of confectionery are considerably behind with their orders and are working night and day to catch up. All other holiday lines exhibit seasonable activity, showing that retail merchants are preparing for a very large business.

The advance in refined sugar which came on Tuesday was expected, and occasioned neither surprise nor excitement among the local prepared jobbers for it, and they had, in turn, notified their customers, all of them having ample time to make preparation if they desired to cover future requirements at old prices.

Coffee presents no new features, the local market remaining unchanged as to quotations. Canned goods are quiet on spot, with their own, and are moving steadily. Salt mackerel firm at the advanced prices ruling since the first of last week.

Poultry Receipts Slightly Increased.

Dealers in fruits and produce report a change for the better in the volume of business moving since yesterday morning, while all quotations continue steady and without alteration in any line. The fancy apple demand continues strong, with lower grades weak, while potatoes, both Irish and sweet, occupy a steady range of prices which have not varied for some time. Celery is moving more actively than it did last week, but is still in plentiful supply. Cranberries are strong at recent advances, and increasing in sale.

There is nothing new for Christmas trees and other decorative greens, but large demand has not gotten under way. Street stands are preparing to open up for business next Monday morning.

No change was made in poultry quotations yesterday, although supplies are a little more plentiful, and the market easier than it was. Dealers are not expecting heavy receipts, however, regarding the poultry supply through the country as too light to overstock any market. Thanksgiving day demand was less than usual, for there would have been insufficient supplies. It is too early to predict with any degree of certainty how stocks will be at Christmas.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 9 cars hay, 14 cars oats, 2 cars feed, 9 cars corn, 1 car corn and oats, 2 cars straw; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 2 cars hay, 5 cars oats; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 4 cars hay, 4 cars corn, 2 cars oats; total receipts, 61 cars.

No. 1 tim $15.50@16.00
do No. 2 14.00@15.00
do mixed 13.00@13.50
Loose, from wagon $16.00@17.00
Straw, oat 8.50@9.00
do wheat 8.50@9.00
do rye 9.50@10.00
do high mix 48@49c
Corn, new No. 2 yel, ear, low shell 52@53c
do high mix 49@50c
No. 2 new yel. ear 54@55c
Oats, No. 2 white 37@37½c
do extra No. 2 36@36½c
No. 3 35@35½c
White mid'lings, No. 1 spring, ton $18.50@19.00
do ton 17.50@18.00
Brls, ton $17.00@17.50

GROCERIES.

Flour, fancy spg pat $4.10@4.15
do fancy winter patent 3.75@3.85
do straight winter 3.65@3.70
do bakers' spring 3.50@3.60
do rye 3.45@3.60
Cornm'l, bbl 3.35@3.60
do 10-lb cotton bags 10@20c
Rolled oats, bbl 4.75
do pkgs 2.75@3.00
(Sugar quotations are for Pittsburgh and Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 9 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within 200 miles of Pittsburgh.)
Coffee, roasted bulk, Rio 10½@12c
do Santos 22½@23½c
do Maracaibo 17@17½c
do Peaberry 17@18c
do Curacas 19@19½c
do Gol. Rio 13½@14c
do Java 26@28c
do Mocha 25½c
do std. pkg 9.50c
do high grade pkgs 14.20@16.20c
Molasses, fancy refined 35@37c
do choice 32@35c
do prime 26@29c
do syrup 40@43c
Syrup, fancy sugar 30@32c
do sugar and cane 26@43c
do 2½-lb cans doz 1.05
do 3-lb cans doz 1.20
do 5-lb cans doz 2.10
do 10-lb cans, each 3.80
Maple syrup, gal 60@90c
Beans, prime, mar bu 2.75@2.90
do navy, bu 2.50@2.60
do lima 6½@7c
do Scotch, bu 1.85@1.90
do split, lb 4c
Pot, carbon, 110 deg 11c
do headlight 11½c
do water white 12c
do Elaine 16c
do Ohio W. W. test 13@20c
do miners 26@32c
do special brands 26@43c
Stove, nut, furnace, head, lb 7½@7¾c
do fancy Japan 5½@6c
do choice Caroline 6@6½c
do prime Caroline 4¾@5¼c
Salt, No. 1, bbl 1.00
do No. 2 extra 1.15
do dairy 1.30
do gran. rock, sack 95c
do pocket 1.50@1.85

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std pie $0.80@85c
do pie 2.50@3.00
do C. 1.00@2.25
do Mary-land 1.15@1.65
do Cal. Y. F. 1.80@2.00
Corn, fancy 1.15@1.30
do std 85c@1.10
Cherries, Cal. white 2.20@2.25
Lima beans 1.20@1.40
do soaked 75@85c
String beans 1.05@1.25
Peas, marrow-fat 95c@1.00
do early June 1.00@1.30
do soaked 55@60c
Apples, N. Y. gal cans 2.50
Pineapples 1.20@2.20
Plums, damson 1.00
do California 1.40
Raspberries 85@95c

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap., bags 8¼@9c
do 25-lb boxes 8@12c
Apples, bulk 8c
do N. Y. cur. tons 8¼@9c
Peaches 7@10c
Raspberries 30@27½c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkgs 5½@9½c
do Muscatel, 2 and 4-crown 50-lb boxes 7@8c
do Cal. Val. 4½@5c
Currants, cleaned, 25 and 50-lb pkgs 6¼@6¾c
Prunes, Cal. 3¾@8½c

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl 35.00
do half bbls 18.00
do quar. bbls 9.40
Mackerel, No. 2, bbls 27.00
do half bbls 14.00
do quar. bbls 8.00
do 10-lb pails 1.50
Lake herring, 100 lbs 4.10
do 50-lb quar 1.55
do 10 lbs 60c

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu small 6.85@6.95
do mammoth 6.95@7.05
do ar'n'd 4.75@5.00
do white
Dutch $10.00@11.00
Alsike 10.00@10.50
Alfalfa 7.10@7.20
Millet 1.65@1.70
Grass, Hungarian 90c@$1.10
do lawn, lb 15@20c
do blue, lb 15@20c
do bu 1.50@1.75
do red top, 14-lb bu 1.10@2.00
Timothy 2.00@2.05

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, choice, car lots, bu 50@55c
do fancy car lots, bu 55@58c
do on track 58@60c
do ex-store 65@70c
Sweet potatoes, Va. bbl 2.25@2.50
do Jersey, fancy 3.50@4.00
do inet 2.00@2.25
Onions, bbl 2.00@2.25
do bu 75@85c
do green, doz 15@20c
Cucumbers, hot-house, doz 1.75@2.00
do Florida, basket 3.00@4.00
Cabbage, Danish, ton 7.00@8.00
do domestic, ton 4.00@5.00
Beets, doz 20@25c
do bbl 2.00@2.50
Parsley, doz 40@50c
Radishes, doz 25@35c
Spinach, bu 40@50c
Celery, doz 30@50c
Lettuce, home, doz 40c@$1.00
Egg plant, doz 75c@$1.00
Peppers, bbl 1.50@2.00
Cauliflower, doz 50@75c
do bbl 4.00@5.00
Squash, Hubbard, ton 11.75@12.00
do mar 75c@$1.00
Parsnips, bbl 1.75@2.00
Ruta'gas, bbl 90c@$1.00
Watercress, doz 30@35c
Florida tomatoes, crate 2.00@2.50
Brussels sprouts, quart 12@16c

HONEY.

White comb 17@18c
Buckwheat 14@15c
N. Y. white clover 18@19c

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Christmas trees, bundle 75c@$1.00
Holly, crate 2.50@4.00
Holly wreaths, doz 1.50@1.75
Smilax, crate 3.50@5.00
Moss, bbl 2.50@4.00
Pine, 20-pd rolls 80@90c
Mistletoe, lb 50@60c
Southern pine cones, doz 30c
Needle pines, doz 3.00@3.00

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, Kings, bbl 4.00@3.50
Baldwins and Rhode Island Greenings and Ben Davis 2.25@2.50
do Greenings and Pippins 1.75@1.75
do bulk, hand-picked, per 100 lbs 75c@$1.00
do windfalls, per 90 lbs 40@50c
Grapes, Delaware, pony baskets 16@18c
Pears, Kiefer, bbl 3.00@3.50
Cranberries, Cape Cod, fcy 4.75@5.00
do choice 3.25@3.75
do bbl 8.50@11.00
do Jersey 2.75@3.00
Cal. Strawberries, pint 50@60c

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, California 4.50@4.50
do bulk, hand-picked, per 100 lbs 75c@$1.00
Oranges, Fla. $3.00@3.50
do Jamaica $3.00@3.50
Figs, new, lb 12@14c
Navel 4.00@4.50
do Cal. seedlings $2.00@3.00
Bananas, bunches 1.50@2.00
do eights 1.25@1.50
do sevenths 1.00@1.25
Grapes, Malaga, per keg 4.50@5.50
Grape fruit 4.50@5.50
Pineapples, each 10@15c
do Florida, crate 5.00@5.50
Cocoanuts, per doz 40@50c
do Ashtabula, per bu 35@40c
do head, bbl 4.00@4.50
Egg plant, Fla. crate $1.75@2.00
Turnips, bbl 1.00@1.50
Garlic, lb 7@10c
Carrots, bbl 1.50@1.75
do doz bun 20@25c
String beans, green, basket 2.00@2.50

NUTS.

Almonds, lb 14@16c
Filberts, lb 12c
Walnuts, Eng-lish, lb 12@14c
do black, bu 75c@$1.00
Pecans, lb 11@12c
Brazil nuts, lb 10@11c
Mixed nuts, lb 11@12c
Chestnuts, small, lb 40@50c
do large 90@10c
Shellbarks, bu 2.50@3.00
Peanuts, fancy 1.35
do choice 1.15

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter, prints 32@32½c
do tubs 31@31½c
do Ohio-Pa. creamery 29@29½c
do dairy 23@24c
do country roll 22@23c
Cheese, N. Y. full cream 14@14½c
do Ohio 13½@14c
do ¾ cream 13c
do Ohio Swiss, lb 15@16c
Eggs, strictly fresh 30c
do Ohio 28@29c
do at mark 27c
do storage, Apr. 23c
do Ohio 22c

POULTRY.

Live hens, lb 13@14c
Springers 14@15c
Roosters 8@9c
Turkeys, lb 12c
Geese 12@13c
Ducks, per lb 13c
do spring 15c
Dressed hens 17@18c
Spring ers 17@18c
Broilers 30c
Roosters 12c
Turkeys 18@19c
Ducks 17c
Geese, per lb 12c
Long Island 30@32c

GAME.

Mallard ducks, pr. $1.75
Teal ducks, pair 1.00
Redheads, pair 1.50
Canvas bks, pair 2.75
Squabs, doz 3.25@3.50
Rabbits, doz 1.75
Squirrels, pair 30@35c
Grouse, imp, pair 3.00
Ptarmigans, pair 2.50
Blackcock, pair 2.50
Partridges, pair 2.00
Groundhogs, ea 35@50c
Possums, each 35@50c
Coons, each 75c@$1.00
Rabbits, pair 40c
Sucking pigs, each 3.25@3.50

PROVISIONS.

Hams, large, 18 lbs and up 12½c
do medium, 14 to 18 lbs 12¾c
do small, 10 to 14 lbs 13½c
do small, under 10 lbs 13¾c
do skinned 12½c
do boneless, boiled 19c
do California 10½c
Shoulders, N. Y. cut 11c
do skinned 11½c
Breakfast bacon, rib, 12 lbs to 16 lbs 15c
do 10 to 12 lbs 14½c
do back strips 14½c
Breakfast bacon, rib, 16 lbs to 20 lbs 13c
do 10 to 12 lbs 13½c
Dry salt shoulders, extra short clears 12½c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs 12½c
do 16 to 20 lbs 13c
do under 16 lbs 13c
Lard, pure, tierces 11½c
do bank strips 14½c

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer, heavy 10c
do light, under 60 lbs and cows, and heifers 9c
No. 1 green bulls 7c
Calfskin, No. 1 10c
do No. 2 8c
Green salt or cured, No. 1 steers, over 60 lbs 11c
do No. 2 10c
Cows and bulls, steers 9c
Calfskins, No. 1 11c
do No. 2 9½c

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WHEAT HAD FLURRY, BUT CLOSED LOWER

Corn Was Higher and Oats Fell Off in Chicago Market.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 10—Decided activity was manifested today in the wheat pit during the first hour, resulting in a marked advance, but later a quieter feeling developed, and the close was easier, with May a shade lower. May corn closed a shade higher, while oats lost ¼c. January provisions were from 2½c lower to 5c higher.

Primary wheat receipts were 1,051,000 bushels against 884,000 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 620 cars, which with local receipts of 43 cars, none of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 663 cars, against 667 last week, and 805 a year ago.

Corn sympathized with wheat early in the day and prices were higher, and when weakness developed in wheat, a decline in the yellow cereal followed. Local receipts were 99 cars, one of contract grade.

Oats experienced the same activity as other grains at the outset, but gradually became dull, with a tendency to react. Local receipts were 80 cars.

The provision market ruled rather quiet and at about steady prices, although trading was fairly active during the first hour of the day. There was a good demand for pork, and this fact prevented any great decline as a result of quite general realizing. January pork closed 2½c lower at $16 92½, January lard 2½c higher at $8 97½, and ribs 5c higher at $8 60.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 65 cars; corn, 200 cars; oats, 125 cars; hogs, 40,000 head.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 209 Sixth street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'r-day's Close
WHEAT					
No. 2.					
Dec.	74⅜	77	75¼	76¾	76
May	77⅛	77⅝	76⅞	77	77
July	74⅞	74⅞	74⅛	74⅜	74¼
CORN					
No. 2.					
Dec.	56	56½	55¾	56⅜	55⅝
Jan.	48⅛	48⅜	48¼	48⅜	47⅞
May	44⅞	44⅞	44¾	44½	44⅜
OATS					
No. 2.					
Dec.

W. R. TOTTEN HEIR OF CARNEGIE'S OLD GROCER

Judge Over Declares He Is Entitled to $50,000 from the Estate of Martin Connolly as Presumptive Adopted Son.

Judge Over yesterday handed down an important opinion in orphans court in which it is decreed that W. R. Totten is a legatee under the will of Martin Connolly, and that Totten will receive as his share about $50,000. Totten was of no kin to the testator. The estate has been growing for 28 years.

Many years ago Martin Connolly was the owner of a grocery store at Penn avenue and Irwin street, now Seventh street. Totten, the father of the claimant, lived nearby and he and Connolly were great friends. The claimant, then a child, played in and about the store and Connolly soon became attached to the boy. It was shown that among the grocer's customers was Andrew Carnegie, and at the solicitation of Connolly, the iron king obtained a situation with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the elder Totten as an engineer, and later a situation for his wife. When the elder Totten was on his death bed in 1863—the claimant then being but 3 months old—Connolly took the dying man's hand and said to Mrs. Connolly, who was also present:

"Won't we take care of little Willie and raise him as our own; won't we?" and she said, "Yes."

Totten left his widow and two children in destitute circumstances and until after her remarriage, in 1869, Connolly looked after them.

Connolly died November 23, 1874, leaving a widow, but no children. He gave his estate to his wife for life, and directed that at her death the provisions of the will for definite legacies be carried out.

A question arose over the following paragraph in the will:

"Ten—The remaining $5,000 of Second National bank stock, including increase, I give and bequeath to Willie Totten Connolly, to be put at interest for him, the interest to be paid annually until he becomes of age, the principal when he becomes at 21 years."

The court says no person named Willie Totten Connolly has claimed the legacy, but that William R. Totten alleged that he is the person intended by the testator. The court declares the evidence shows that Connolly frequently asked Mrs. Totten to allow him to adopt Willie, but she put him off from time to time, and that the last time Connolly called at the Totten house he asked for "Willie, my boy," and gave him $20 with which to buy a suit of clothes. Judge Over further says there was no evidence that any person by the name of Willie Totten Connolly ever existed, or that the gift was intended for any other person than the claimant. After quoting several decisions, the court said:

"The fact that the testator, in 1873, five years after he had written the name of Willie Totten Connolly in his will as legatee, requested the mother's consent to his adoption of the claimant, shows that when he wrote his will he expected to adopt Willie Totten."

POLICEMAN CONVICTED.

Officer William Bird Found Guilty of Aggravated Assault—Constable Loses a Similar Case.

In criminal court yesterday William Bird, a police officer, was convicted of aggravated assault and battery on James Patterson, on September 17.

Patterson testified that he was asleep in the Soho district on a doorstep near his home, when he was awakened by the rappings of the policeman's mace on his feet. He was ordered to move on and was struck on the head with a mace, causing several gashes.

Other convictions were: Robert Kelling, stealing a horse and outfit valued at $200 from W. J. Faust of Sandusky street, Allegheny; Charles M. Allen, entering the home of George M. Vardy, at No. 5714 McPherson street and taking a pair of cuff buttons valued at $20.

Mike Tigeon was acquitted of assault and battery on E. Ehrenkrant, a constable of Elizabeth. The defense brought out that Pigeon, after arrest, was transferred from the office of E. M. Trich, the justice of the peace before whom the information was made, and $75 accepted from him as a settlement of the case. His counsel contended that the transaction was an effort to blackmail an illiterate foreigner. The jury divided the costs between the prosecutor and defendant.

The following entered pleas of guilty: Robert Ford, assault and battery on Martha J. Waller, 30 days to the workhouse; Charles Ayres, larceny of a carpenter's square from E. H. Bowman, sentence deferred; John McCaffrey, charged with stealing a bucket of apple butter from a car at Braddock, 60 days in jail; Henry Weinstock, convicted on Tuesday of assault and battery on Nathan Chernoff, $10 and costs.

PROMOTER ASKS $50,000.

Pittsburgh Coal and Oil Company Is Charged With Breach of Contract.

Attorney W. C. Stillwagen, representing Charles Surbridge, yesterday entered suit against the Pittsburgh Coal and Oil Company for $50,000 damages. The plaintiff claims that he was employed by the company as a promoter upon the representation that stock to the amount of $35,000 had been paid up, and that he should receive for his services a certain percentage of the stock sold by him.

The plaintiff says he found purchasers for considerable of the stock, and discovered that the representations about stock paid up were untrue, or at least the company refused to show its books. He alleges breach of contract.

DOCTOR WANTS FEE.

Mandamus Proceedings Against McKeesport Controller for Physician's Salary.

Dr. H. V. Harsha yesterday entered mandamus proceedings against R. A. Hitchins, controller of McKeesport, to compel him to countersign a warrant for $1,552, representing the plaintiff's September salary.

The petitioner says he agreed to attend the city smallpox cases at $10 a visit, and that his salary for other months was paid, but that the controller held up the September bill. The court directed the controller to sign the warrant or show cause by December 13 why he should not do so.

Today's Trial Lists.

Criminal Court—Commonwealth vs. Victoria Babbek, John T. Jones, John Stitz, Archie Thompson, Elias Wesco, Paul Kukoski, William Hagle, Jr., George Herbert, William Erskorn, Julius Padorsky, Julia Kelly, John Robinson, Frank Maddox, Ed Washington, Samuel Burkett, John P. Weber, Morris Kaufman et al., Mathew Bell, Nathan Graham, William McClintock, N. Levison, Nick Bowarsky, Matt Silverman, Felix Cominski, William Jackson, Maggie McDermott, Harry Winterburg, Jacob J. Stein, Charles Fair et al., Thomas Chesney, Dave Wilbert, W. F. McBride, John Marconiak, Joseph Hanna, Ed Anderson, William Hogan, Albert Hinton, Henry Turner (2), J. Searcy, W. H. Hoffman, Walter Smith, John Pierce, P. E. Thomas, William Frier, Andy Guerasni, John Neelan, Adam Koehler, Kate Holloran (2); John W. Curtis, Yee Yang, Yee Tan.

Common Pleas No. 1.—Bodman vs. Mulford Shoe Company, Light vs. Schlereth, Klingler et ux vs. Pittsburgh & Castle Shannon Railroad Company, Holz vs. Schorr, Herron vs. Jones & Laughlins, Fleming vs. Allegheny County Light Company, Thellman vs. Duquesne Traction Company, Latimer vs. United Traction Company, City of Pittsburgh vs. Hutchinson etc., Forbes vs. Jenkins.

Common Pleas No. 2—Pennsylvania Steel Manufacturing Company vs. Shields et al., Damascus Steel Company vs. same, Norton vs. Knoxville Land Improvement Company, Jackson vs. Gundlach, Yoder vs. Nab et al., Scott vs. Woods.

Common Pleas No. 3.—Chamberlain Bros. & Co. vs. Lowenstein Bros & Co., Scott & Co. vs. McGeary, Muller vs. McCormick, Graff & Co. vs. Monongahela Street Railway Company, Matchener vs. Brown Bros. & Co., Smith vs. United Traction Company, Kaufmann Bros. vs. Meyer, Cusick vs. C. D. & P. Telegraph Company, Neely vs. Allen, Wall vs. Wix.

Grand Jury Returns.

The grand jury returned the following true bills yesterday: Robbery, Henry Turner, Fred Searcy, Edward Lee; attempt to commit robbery, Dan Wilbert; false pretenses, J. R. Weaver; misdemeanor, W. A. Adams, Catherine Blackstock, Charles Fisher, Fritz Rapert, Fred Sturin; selling liquor without license, Salvator Amelia; selling liquor on Sunday, Salvator Amelia; carrying concealed weapons, Henry Turner; entering a building with intent to commit a felony, Edward Anderson, William Hogan, Albert Hinton; assault and battery, William Peskorn et al., George Williams, Johanna Wasnevozka; aggravated assault and battery, Harry Benbach; embezzlement, Joseph Hanna, W. F. McBride; larceny, Nickolas Lewis, John Marcinak; larceny by bailee, John H. Walton; perjury, J. W. McFarland. Ignored bills: Larceny by bailee, Elizabeth Burgess; larceny, W. Carroll, William Frederick et al.; misdemeanor, Samuel Gallow, Hester Hollis, William Kissock; embezzlement, George E. Brown; selling liquor without license and on Sunday, Gruneffa de Carlo et al. (4); keeping a gambling house, etc., Thomas Moran et al.; aggravated assault and battery, Frank Potter; assault and battery, Hugh Traynor.

New Suits Filed.

New suits were entered as follows:

Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Action.
COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.		
Frederick Junkat	James R. McDowell et al	Sci. fa. mtge
William G. Packer	Pittsburgh Railways Company	
Friend & Co.	John Carnik	Rep
W. H. Fickering	C. E. Miller et al.	Rep
Lizzie Fletcher	Bellevue borough	
L. H. Hoffman	Monongahela club	Appeal
David Canter	Moss Distillery	Assp
Joseph Skrsk	Chester B. Albree	Tres
COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.		
McGinness Bros.	C. M. Johns et al.	Appeal
Samuel McWilliams et ux	A. J. Lennox et ux	Equity
C. F. Todd	S. C. Lydic	Appeal
COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.		
George W. Sherman	H. Prescott Slimson	Assp
D. H. Crider et al.	Pittsburgh Railways Company	Tres
Nicola Bros. Company	M. D. Burke	For att

LEGAL BRIEFS.

The Oil Well Supply Company sued the Glen Rock Company for $4,228 on a note.

Decrees in distribution were: Estates of Mary Brown, $2,337 71; Rachel Jones, $56,983 71; Heinrich Hoffman, $25.

Mary S. Sudhoff took out letters on the estate of Samuel G. McAllister. Attorney T. P. Trimble represents the administratrix.

Two divorce cases are on trial in common pleas No. 1, Sarah J. against Alexander Carson, and Robert J. against Hattie Z. McIntyre.

The will of Dr. John W. James was filed. An $8,000 estate is left to his widow, Isadora. Attorney Charles T. Moore represents the estate.

An order was made restraining the sale of the property of Albert Kutsch of Ford City against whom bankruptcy proceedings are pending.

Samuel McWilliams and his wife Ella filed a bill in equity against A. J. and Hannah C. Lennox, to secure an accounting of an alleged partnership for the erection of 10 houses in Bellevue.

Attorneys Miller & Reamer have applied for a charter for the Liberty Brewing Company, which will operate in Pittsburgh. The incorporators are C. J. Hoffmann, J. B. Drew, Louis Shafer, L. P. Hoffmann and H. M. Miller.

Letters were granted to William L. Coyle on the will of Sarah B. Wallace. The decedent died in a hospital and directed, in the presence of Mary Emma Coyle, that certain debts should be paid and the residue of the estate go to the children of William L. Coyle.

In the equity suit of the Pittsburgh Manufacturing Company against the Fidelity Title & Trust Company, Judge Shafer decided that the plaintiff has a valid lease to certain property on the north side of Railroad street at Twenty-eighth street, under a lease granted by Matilda W. Denny, good until 1915.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed by J. W. and J. E. Krepps, individually and as J. W. Krepps & Son, boat builders of Allegheny. The liabilities of the firm are $26,281. J. W. Krepps owes $11,535 individually and has sets of $234, and J. E. Krepps owes $1,005 and has assets of $219. The firm made an assignment in 1899.

Suits were entered in the United States circuit court by the National Building & Loan association to recover on mortgages. The cases are against Mary T. Moore, to recover $1,045 on property in the Thirteenth ward; Lorena C. V. Clark, now Mrs. J. G. Bessni, $1,272, property in Tiaresta; Henry Kehr, $1,572, property in Titusville; Henry Clark, $1,262, property in Tiaresta.

STREET EXPENDITURES.

John Battles Explains the High Figures of His Bureau.

Water Extension.

John Battles, superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers, made an explanation yesterday of the request for $581,000 for his bureau in 1903. He said that the bureau asked for $564,000 one year ago, and needed it, but councils cut the appropriation to $474,000.

He says that ordinances are pending to increase salaries of rammers, pavers and other skilled workmen in his bureau by $63,400, on the demand of labor unions. Other items of increased expenditure he mentions are street signs, $10,000; street sprinklers, $10,980; cleaning snow, $7,000. Battles says that injustice is done to his bureau by including in its estimates the expense of advertising street improvement ordinances and the cost of the inoperative smoke inspection bureau.

Director McCandless says that the high figures for extension of water pipes have been demanded by property owners and insurance men. The repair of the patched-up Holly pumps at the Brilliant water station will cost $10,000.

OLD FOGY KNEW.

Experience Teaches People.

"My parents considered coffee simply a harmless beverage for old and young, so when a mere baby I commenced to drink it, and when I reached womanhood found myself troubled with nervousness, headache and an irritable temper, and to obtain relief I drank more and more coffee, thus adding fuel to the fire.

"I grew worse until life was one black night of pain. My nerves were shattered, body wrecked with suffering, my stomach gave out and utterly refused to digest the most simple foods, and finally I lay for weeks starving and longing for food, but unable to eat more than just enough to keep me alive.

"While in this state my next door neighbor brought in a fragrant cup that I supposed was some new grade of coffee, and although I had suffered so terribly from its effects the temptation was too strong to resist, and I drank it with relish. I noticed it had a rich, agreeable taste, and I drank it without distress. She repeated the kindness two or three mornings.

"I began to congratulate myself that it was not coffee that hurt me after all. I was assuring my friend of this one day when she astonished me by saying that I was not drinking coffee, but a pure food drink called Postum Food Coffee, made from nourishing grain for building up the system and nerves instead of tearing them down.

"I then began to drink Postum regularly, and to get well slowly but surely. Today I am a strong, hearty woman; my nervous system is entirely rebuilt and with a reserve force of strength in time of need; I sleep well and awake refreshed and feel bright for each day's task, with no indigestion or stomach trouble, and a good, strong active brain ready for any mental strain or toil. There is no doubt on earth that coffee nearly killed me.

"A friend of mine was obliged to resign her position as school teacher, because of extreme nervousness caused by coffee drinking. I induced her to use Postum in place of coffee, and at the end of four months she began teaching again, her nervousness gone and feeling and looking ten years younger; her sallow complexion having become a beautiful, healthy bloom." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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at your door today, and giving you this "Golden Opportunity" to make money. Don't let it slip past you without taking advantage of it, before the next ADVANCE in selling price is made. This STOCK is becoming very popular with the public on account of the prominent BANKERS AND BUSINESS MEN who control the affairs of the Company, and the fine showing which is being made as the development work progresses at the Mines.

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Wouldn't it be a satisfaction to know that, if the unexpected should happen, and you should be taken away—the wife or little ones would be sure of a substantial cash present every future Christmas morning, so long as they live?

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In the Equitable Life Assurance Society provides for just such contingencies—It enables a man, in the most advantageous manner possible, to extend to widow and orphans the same loving care that he now bestows on wife and children—

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[Translated from the German of the Volksblatt, December 11, 1902.]

READY FOR THE RUSH.

Pretentious Christmas Preparations at Campbell's.

How the Great Store Has Converted 17,200 Square Feet of Floor Space Into a Christmas Bazar.

No need of consulting your calendar this month to learn it is December. The moment you pass through the Fifth avenue doorway at Campbell's it is evident that Christmas is at hand. The long vistas of the big store tell you so in unmistakable terms. The show windows proclaim it to passersby, the decorations announce it, and every counter fairly shouts the glad tidings. First, in front on the left as you enter is the Candy Booth—a special holiday feature, with fresh, delicious, pure, wholesome confections (a new supply every day), and only 10c and 20c a pound for bon bons, chocolates, pan taffies, etc. Do you want the acme of excellence in candies? You will find here the celebrated Lowney Chocolates, all kinds, at 40c a pound.

Just back of the west show window are the Umbrella display racks, so arranged that every umbrella in stock shows you its handle, to help you make quick selection. No finer line of silk umbrellas ever came to Pittsburgh. The handles are beautifully carved, shaped and polished; some in pearl, posts with handsome gold and silver knobs, while others appear in the boxwood operas, ivory, polished stag horn and the new copper effects. Eligible umbrellas for men or women, just as strong as they can be made, close rolling over steel rods, for $2 and upward, according to the quality of the handle and the excellence of the silk, with the very finest at $6, $7 and $10. For all gift umbrellas bought at Campbell's a long box is provided free, so that they can be presented in the most graceful way.

To the right of the doorway is the jewelry counter, with a superb collection of dainty gold clocks, candlesticks, candelabra, etc., at either end as a top decoration. Within the plate glass cases, arranged in trays ready to be placed before the customer for closer inspection is seen a glittering array of brooches, stick pins, hat pins, friendship lockets, neck chains, chatelaine watches, with Swiss movements, for ladies, nickel plated and German silver watches for boys, rings, cuff links, collar buttons, men's watch fobs, chatelaines and everything else that the goldsmiths' art and the silversmiths' skill has devised for personal adornment in 1903.

A stroll down the main aisle at Campbell's is a delightful tour of suggestion. You come in turn to a shimmering array of lovely table furnishings and pretty pocket pieces in sterling silver, with many of the larger pieces in quadruple silver plate; a comprehensive collection of fine purses, wrist bags, chatelaine bags, cigar cases, card cases, etc., in all the fine leathers (most of them silver mounted); an art display of fancy boxes in the polished cabinet woods, celluloid and aluminum, for gloves, handkerchiefs, perfumes, jewels, needlework, etc.; a charming group of photograph albums in embossed leather and celluloid covers, and a matchless waving salute of dainty handkerchiefs in linen, lawn, mull, silk and lace, including some exquisite confections, lace edged and beautified with lace insertions, for 25c each.

In a cozy corner back by the cash desk is "Doll-land," with an overflowing population of little people, crowded into a small space. Every kind of a doll you ever thought of, heard of or dreamed of, dressed and undressed, with jointed limbs, movable eyes and real hair, blonde or brunette, as you prefer, representing every age, from infancy to gray hair, including many grotesque character dolls, such as brownies, policemen, firemen, Johnny Bulls, Uncle Sams, Puritan Maidens, Infants in Arms, Indians, Esquimaux, Chinamen, and the like. Appropriately placed in the same department are many things dolls wear and use, such as shoes, stockings, fur sets, parasols, nursing bottles, etc.

Gloves get double the usual counter space this season. Good reason! Campbell has devised an expedient which meets a keenly felt want. With every pair of gloves sold for gift purposes is furnished a neat card to go with them, which says "These gloves are exchangeable for any other size or shade desired at our Glove Counter any time before January 1, 1903—Wm. Campbell." This makes it safe to buy gloves when one is uncertain as to the size or shade which will give full satisfaction and enables the giver to convey gracefully the information as to where they were bought and how to have them made right.

Twenty-five thousand Christmas books would make quite a respectable Carnegie library for a good-sized city. This splendid array of good reading is spread out as a literary feast on Campbell's Christmas book tables, beginning with picture books to please the children, 5c and 10c, and ending with exquisitely bound books in special holiday editions at $4 and $5. The main attraction, however, will be found in the great libraries of standard works, by the best authors, cloth bound, gilt stamped and equally well adapted for service or show, at 10c, 19c, 25c, 39c and 49c per volume. Besides these are long rows of books for boys, good reading for girls; all the standard poets, the best religious literature, fairy books, funny books, cook books, dictionaries—in short, everything that book-lovers are likely to call for.

Downstairs, where it is light and airy, with lots of room, will be found the toys and games—a spread of children's playthings that will cause the little ones to clap their hands with joy and declare they have found the storehouse of good Kris Kringle. Everything on wheels—everything whose wheels go 'round—everything to play keep house—everything to play go traveling—pianos, building blocks, carts, rubber toys, animal toys, musical instruments, hobby horses, tool chests, steam engines, fire engines, railroad trains, Noah's arks, etc.—and all at prices that take into consideration that grown up people do not want to part with too much money for articles that will soon be cast aside or get broken, no matter how well made they may be. And Campbell's toys are all of the strongest and best construction.

On the Second Floor Campbell has gathered all the fine china for the table, for the mantel and for wall decorations, all the bric-a-brac that imparts beauty and the art spirit to the home; all the exquisite vases in half a dozen famous wares; all the cut glass, table silver and toilet table china that needs plenty of room for protection and inspection; a special importation of beer steins direct from Germany; and a lot of genuine Hartz Mountain Canaries that sing sweetly and sell for $1.89 each.

Besides these special holiday goods, "The People's Store" is a treasure house of practical and highly useful things that are handsome enough for presents—fur rugs, hearth rugs, sofa pillows, screens, rocking chairs, couches, tables, music cabinets, fine table linens, dress patterns, waist patterns, rich furs, worsted blankets and all sorts of handsome wearing apparel.

At this season of the year when many people buy with precipitation, using less thought and taking less time to look around than usual, one of the best things about Campbell's is that all through the store the same prices prevail as during the season when little is going on, and customers are inclined to count their pennies before parting with them.

Lowney Chocolates.

You've seen the "Lowney Girl" in the papers and magazines many a time—a sweet, winsome, capricious creature holding out most enticingly a delicious chocolate cream, which she has just raised from its bed in a box of "Lowney's" best.

Would you like to test these chocolates—admitted even by many confectioners to be the best in the world?

We make them our leading Christmas feature at the Candy Counter, and sell them in loose form—any mixture you like—for 40c a pound. (In fancy boxes, 50c.)

Other Christmas Candy.

We have arranged for a daily supply of fresh-made confections—pure, wholesome and delicious—which will be on sale at the special Candy Counter, just inside our Fifth avenue doorway, at the following prices:—

—Hard Mixture Candies—10c a pound.
—Cream Dates and Chocolates—20c a pound.
—Assorted Chocolates—20c a pound.
—Assorted Bon-Bons—20c a pound.
—Pan Taffies, five kinds—20c a pound.
—Salted Peanuts—5c a bag.

NO FRIDAY BARGAINS, BUT THESE INSTEAD.

Everybody is too full of Christmas ideas to care for special Friday Bargains this month, unless these "specials" be gift goods. But our gift goods are all marked at such close figures that there's no chance for a deeper cut—everything is a bargain already.

But as among good things there's always a best, just so in a stock of gift goods there are always lines marked at the closest prices.

These you'll find at our store this month on the second floor, which for the time being is the home of the China and Bric-a-Brac, the Cut Glass and some Table Silver. Will any of these interest you?

Rogers' Silver Plate | Tea Spoons (half doz.) $1.50. Table Spoons (half doz.) $2.50. Knives (half doz.) $1.75. Forks (half doz.) $1.75.

Imperial Silver Sets—half a dozen knives and forks in case—$2.98.

Fine Vases, 25c to $7.50.	**China Pitchers,** 25c and 50c.	**Shaving Mugs,** 25c and 50c.	**Statuettes,** 50c to $2.98.

Haviland China Dinner Set—Splendid values at $55, $48 and $45. Good 100-piece sets in Austrian China for $20 and $22.

Cut Glass—A limited line, but some excellent values on this table.

—Sherbet Cups—48c and 69c.
—Finger Bowls—$1.00.
—Water Bottles—$2.98 and $3.25.
—Celery Dishes—$2.50.
—Tumblers—50c and 59c.
—Pitchers—$1.25.
—Olive Dishes—$2.75.

—Silver-plated 4-piece Tea Sets—Teapot, Sugar Bowl, Cream Pitcher and Spoon Holder—$5.00 and $6.50.

On the 10c and 15c Table—Salt Shakers, Mustard Cups, Paper Weights, Hair Receivers, Pin Trays and Call Bells, etc., etc.

On the 25c Table—Candlesticks, Pitchers, Match Safes, Soap Dishes, China Call Bells, Card Receivers, etc., etc.

On the 50c Table—Comb and Brush Trays, Trinket Holders, Sugar and Cream Sets, Pitchers, Hair Receivers, etc., etc.

Cake Baskets, frosted silver plate, $1.50 and $1.98.	**Pudding Dishes,** with inside dish, $3.50 and $3.98.	**Crumb Trays and Scoops,** silver-plated, $1.75 and $2.25.

Fancy Plates and Platters, variety of patterns, 12c to $1.50.
Cracker or Biscuit Jars, several sizes, 75c to $2.50.
German Beer Steins (imported), 39c to $3.25.
Chocolate Pots, delightfully decorated, 75c to $1.98.
Cups and Saucers, the most artistic shapes, 10c to $1.50.
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Ladies' Chatelaine Watches, with fine Swiss Movements, guaranteed to keep perfect time.
—At $2.98—in German silver or gun metal.
—At $3.98—a Hunting Case Watch in German silver, very neatly engraved.
—At $4.98—in fine hard enamel; choice of four colors—blue, green, red or turquoise.
—At $6.00—in fine hard enamel; choice of colors; inlaid with gold floral or leaf designs.
—At $6.98—in hard enamel, inlaid with crescent studded with pearls.
Chatelaines to go with these watches in sterling silver, gold plate and all colors of enamel, mostly in fleur de lis designs, for 50c, 75c and $1.00.

Boys' Watches in nickel-plate and German silver; guaranteed good timekeepers; at attractive prices.
—Boys' Nickel-Plated Watches for $1.00.
—Boys' Stem-Setting and Stem-Winding Nickel-Plated Watches for $1.25.
—Boys' German Silver Watches, with fine Swiss movements, in two sizes, for $4.50.
—**Boys' Hunting Case Watches** in German silver, very neatly engraved, two sizes, for $5.00.

Men's Watch Fobs, made of heavy black gros grain ribbons; some with jeweled or seal pendants and lockets; others with fancy buckles; in bright or Roman gold. Prices 50c to $3.75.

Jewel Boxes, gold-plated and silk-lined, with hinge tops; also in gold and silver over blue enamel. Prices 39c to $6.98.

Paper Weights; dog, horse and head designs; gold-plated; for 75c.

Cuckoo Clocks, hand carved, in walnut and other woods with cone weights; imported from Germany. Prices $5, $6, $7.50 and $12.50.

Pocket Knives, ladies' or gentlemen's sizes with pearl, buckhorn and bone handles; one, two, three and four blades; some with name plates; guaranteed best tempered steel. Prices 25c to $1.50.

Fountain Pens. The celebrated "mercantile" line, made of the best Para rubber and fitted with first quality gold pens.
—Plain ones for $1.25.
—With Gold Bands, $2.50.
—With Silver and Gold Filigree work, $5.00.

Men's All-Linen Handkerchiefs, full size, with embroidered initials, for 12½c.

Ladies' Fine Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs, with narrow hemstitching and initials in wreath, for 12½c.

Men's Mufflers, in plain barathea silk, black and white brocaded silks, handsome plaids, polka dots and novelty effects. Prices 50c to $3.50.

Ladies' Scarfs, two yards long and various in width, from 12 to 18 inches, in all-over Dresden designs in fine liberty silk with hemstitched ends; also in crepe de chine with Persian borders wrought on hemstitched ends, and handsomely embroidered crepe de chine. Prices $1.00 to $6.98.

Painted Ooze Leather Pillow Tops with fringe and backs attached; college designs, Indian designs, monk in the monastery cellar designs, animal designs, heads, etc., for $5.00 each.

Triplicate Mirrors, in oak, ebony, nickel-plated and gilt frames, with embossed leather and decorated celluloid backs, fine French bevel plate glass—the kind of mirrors that enable you to see yourself from three different standpoints at once.
—Small size, 7x16, frames for $2.00.
—Large size in 24-karat gold-plated frames, size 8½x11, for $8.98. Many others at intermediate prices.

Toilet Mirrors, swinging glasses on easel frames; fine gilt, oval or square. Prices $1.49 to $4.50.

Work Baskets, small and medium sizes; round, oblong, square and oval; some with covers. Prices 25c to $1.25.

Waste Paper and **Scrap Baskets,** round, square, straight, bulging or serpentine sides. Some in Christmas colors. Prices 25c to $2.25.

Basket-Work Stands, round, oblong and oval shapes with covers. Prices $1.25 to $3.98.

Mantel Clocks, Dresser Clocks, Desk Clocks, Travelers' Clocks.

Dainty timepieces, in 24-karat gold plate or oxidized copper finish, with fancy dials, guaranteed movements, in art nouveau or cupid designs. Prices $1.25 to $12.00.

Nut Picks in handsome cases with engraved handle, nickel plated.
—Set of 6 with nut cracker for 75c.
—Set of 12 with two nut crackers for $2.75.

Candlesticks, plated with 24-karat gold, in high art, cupid and colonial designs. Prices 39c to $2.50.

Card Receivers in oxidized copper; very artistic designs, for $1.25.

Hand Mirrors in gold-plated frames with velvet upholstered backs, so that they will not scratch or mar the dresser. Bevel French plate glass, 5 and 6 inches in diameter, with handle rack or easel. Our prices from $1.89 to $2.75.

Bronze Clock Ornaments, in horse, dog, lion, head and heroic designs. Prices 59c to $2.39.

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CLEVELAND SHORT LINE.

Schedule in effect November 23, 1902.

Central Time.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	* 7:00 am	†11:15 am
Youngst'n & Cleve'd Mail	* 8:25 am	* 5:10 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	† 8:25 am	† 9:50 pm
Lake Chautqua Fast Line	*12:50 pm	* 6:30 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	† 4:20 pm	* 6:05 am
Cleveland & Chicago Ex.	* 2:30 pm	* 1:00 pm
Boston Special	* 4:20 pm	* 6:05 am
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	† 6:00 pm	†11:15 am
Buffalo & Cleveland Ex.	*10:30 pm	* 6:05 am
Cland & Youngs'n Accom.	† 5:25 am	* 9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 8:30 am	† 5:35 pm
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 9:00 am	† 6:45 pm
Beaver Falls Accom.	†12:10 pm	† 9:30 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 3:50 pm	†12:30 pm
New Castle Express	† 4:20 pm	† 7:30 am
Beaver Valley Express	† 5:25 pm	† 4:15 pm
Fayette City Accom.	† 6:10 am	† 7:20 am
Fayette C. & N. Haven Ex	* 8:00 am	* 8:00 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	†11:50 am	†12:40 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	† 2:30 pm	† 4:50 pm
Fayette City Express	* 5:20 pm	* 5:40 pm

‡On Sunday from Cleveland only.
P., C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Beading and Beechmont, †5:25 a. m., †10:15 a. m.
*Daily, †Daily, except Sunday.
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LINES EAST.	Depart.	Arrive.
Cumberland Accom.	* 6:30 am	* 9:15 pm
Connellsv. & Mt. Pleas.	* 6:30 am	† 3:05 pm
Wash., Balto. & N. York	* 8:00 am	* 7:35 pm
Con'v., Un'tn & Fairm't.	* 8:00 am	* 7:55 pm
Cumb., Wash. & Balto.	* 1:00 pm	* 3:05 pm
West Newton Accom.	†10:00 am	† 8:00 am
Conn'v., Un'tn, Morg'n.	† 1:30 pm	†10:00 am
Connellsv. & Mt. Pleas.	† 1:30 pm	†3:05 pm
Connellsville Accom.	* 4:00 pm	† 5:05 pm
Morgantown, Clarksburg and Weston	† 5:00 pm	†12:50 pm
Philadelphia and New York (Duquesne Lim).	* 3:30 pm	* 9:15 pm
Wash., Balto. & Phila.	* 7:00 pm	* 7:00 am
LINES WEST VIA WHEELING.		
Wash. (Pa.) & Wheel'g Ac.	†10:05 am	†10:05 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:30 am	* 7:45 am
Wgh., Zanesv. & Col. Ac.	† 1:00 pm	† 4:00 pm
Wash. (Pa.) and Wheel.	* 4:50 pm	* 6:00 pm
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:50 pm	* 7:45 pm
Wgh., Col. & Cin. Exp.	†11:50 pm	
LINES WEST VIA AKRON.		
Cleve., Akron & Youngst.	* 7:30 am	* 8:15 pm
Chicago & Cleveland	* 3:30 pm	*12:35 pm
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 7:40 am
(Leave P. C. & Y. Station, Allegheny.)		
Butler	* 7:35 am	† 7:55 am
Butler, Foxburg	† 7:35 am	* 2:25 pm
Butler, Greenville & Erie.	† 7:35 am	† 7:20 pm
Butler	†10:45 am	† 7:35 am
Butler, Greenville & Erie.	† 1:15 pm	† 1:00 pm
Ellwood City	† 1:15 pm	† 6:30 am
Butler, Clarion & Greenv.	† 3:15 pm	†10:40 am
Ellwood N. Cast., Butler.	* 5:30 pm	* 9:35 am
Butler	† 6:15 pm	* 5:25 pm
Butler	*11:30 pm	* 7:20 pm

*Daily †Daily, except Sunday. ‡Saturday only.

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